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World

Pakistan sanctions: Pakistan's prime minister said Saturday the government is lifting economic sanctions in a tense region near Afghanistan to encourage help in tracking down foreign militants and those who shelter them

The sanctions, including the closure of shops and seizure of vehicles, were imposed in South Waziristan this year to punish tribesmen for failing to evict suspected foreign terrorists from their areas.

Under a Pakistani law based on centuries-old customs, an entire tribe can be held responsible for crimes committed by one of its members — and can be punished collectively.

Japanese abductions: Japanese and North Korean envoys began a new round of North Korean envoys began a new round of North Korean envoys began a new round of North Sagents decades ago, and the chief Japanese delegate said he would press for new details on their forta.

The working-level meeting was the second round of talks on the abductees. North Korea had promised earlier to investigate the fate of as many as 10 missing Japanese, but Japanese officials said it failed to disclose any new information during a first yound last mouth in the Chinese capital.

"I am looking forward to seeing the report, which they said they have speeded up," the chief Japanese delegate, Akitaka Saiki, said as he went into the talks Saturday at a Beijing hotel.

Taliban fighting: U.S. troops and helicopter gunships killed five suspected Taliban rebels in Afghanistan on Friday, hours after militants attacked Afghan army troops in southern Afghanistan, a provincial governor said.

The Taliban fighters attacked a checkpoint of Afghanistan's fledging national army at midnight in the area of Thor Nasar in Deh Rawood district, 105 miles north of Kandahar, said Jan Mohammed Khan, governor of Uruzgan province.

Army forces fought back, and that the attackers fled after wounding four soldiers, he

"On our request, U.S. forces and helicopter gunships went to the area and killed five Taliban after tracing them," he said, adding that 20 Taliban fighters were involved in the violence and that five of them were killed.

Asian bird flu: Dead swallows discovered on an island in the disputed Spratly chain tested negative for bird flu Saturday, Malaysian authorities said, easing fears that the disease was spreading beyond a quarantined northern state.

Five Malaysian navy sailors placed under hospital observation after coming in contact with the birds on Layang-Layang island were making rapid recoveries, officials said. Only one remained ill, probably from a pre-existing respiratory infection, they said.

A veterinary team was being sent to the island Sunday to take new samples from swallows because the tests may not be fully reliable since there was no accurate data on when the birds died, officials told the national news agency Bernama.

Russia military satellite: Russia on Friday successfully launched a military satellite from a northern launchpad, the Space Forces said.

A Soyuz-U booster rocket blasted off at 8:50 p.m. from the Plesetsk cosmodrome in northern Russia, putting the Kosmos-2410 satellite into a designated orbit, the Space Forces said in a statement carried by the Interfax and ITAR-Tass news agencies.

The statement said that the satellite belongs to a new generation of space vehicles that would form the core of Russian satellite fleet through 2015.

Israel whistleblower: Mordechai Vanunu, who was imprisoned for 18 years for spilling



Flooding from Ivan: Rob Gilliand wades through knee-high water after removing materials from his flooded business in Marietta, Ohio. Ohio communities that were damaged by last week's flooding from remmants of Hurricane Ivan are running dangerously low on food and other supplies, aid workers said Friday. Workers recently had to tell more than 100 people waiting in line at a food bank in southeastern Ohio that provisions had run out for the day, said Lisa Hamler-Podolski, director of the Ohio Association of Second Harvest Foodbanks.

Israel's nuclear secrets, said Friday that he believed his action had changed the world. In an interview broadcast by the World Service of the British Broadcasting Corp., Vanunu said he had relied on radio, newspapers and magazines to follow world news during his imprisonment.

The interviewer asked what he had made of major events such as the fall of the Berlin

"My conclusion was that my revelation about that very serious nuclear weapons in Israel, a very large stockpile that no one imagined, made all the world very alert," he said by telephone from Jerusalem.

Vanunu was convicted of treason in 1988 for divulging information and pictures of Israel's top-secret nuclear reactor.

States

International space station: International space station crewmembers may have to abandon the outpost later this year if astronauts can't fix oxygen supply problems, a NASA official said.

Bill Gerstenmaier, the station's program manager, said NASA was "a long way" from making the move and that the possibility reflects concerns over several failed attempts to determine what's wrong with a Russian-made oxygen generator.

If the crew were to leave, the space station could be empty for months. Scientists in Moscow and Houston would control the station until crews return.

Bush Guard records: The Pentagon released 10 pages of records from President GBush's Vietnam-era service in the Texas Air National Guard, but the files shed no new light on his military career.

The records include several that have been released before and others that are administrative files or cover letters to other documents that have been previously released.

The Defense Department released the records Friday in response to a Freedom of Information Act lawsuit by The Associated Press.

Friday was the court-ordered deadline for the Pentagon to turn over all records it could find on Bush's Texas Air National Guard service.

DeLay ethics: Ethics committee Chairman Joel Hefley of Colorado and ranking Democrat Alan Mollohan of West Virginia rebuffed complaints that the panel cannot fairly judge House Majority Leader Tom

DeLay of Texas because four of the five Republicans on the committee received contributions from

contributions from him.

"Both of us are confident in the ability of each of our fellow members, without excep-

dent in the ability of each of our fellow members, without exception, to execute their responsibilities faithfully and fairly, regardless of any political affiliations or personal rela-

DeLay

tionships," the two said in a statement. Hefley also has rejected calls for an independent counsel to investigate DeLay, a fellow Republican.

Military

Hunley conservation: Scientists using DNA have positively identified one of the crewmen of the Confederate submarine H.L. Hunley, the first submarine in history

to sink an enemy warship.

Officials announced Friday that they have positively confirmed the identity of crewman Joseph Ridgaway using DNA from a descendent.

The hand-cranked Hunley made history on Feb. 17, 1864, when it rammed a spar with a black powder charge into the Union blockade ship Housatonic. But the sub never returned from the mis-

sion. It was found off the South Carolina coast nine years ago, raised in 2000 then brought to a conservation lab at the old Charleston Naval Base in South Carolina.

Stories and photos from wire reports

AAFES gas prices to dip slightly in Europe

BY JESSICA INIGO

Stars and Strines

DARMSTADT. Germany -Gas prices are falling throughout Europe, including in Turkey and the Azores, which will switch to the Army and Air Force Exchange Services monthly gas pricing policy on Friday.

Now, all AAFES pumps will see a price decrease in October for all grades of unleaded gasoline, falling in line with the Department of Energy's latest decrease. Diesel prices, however, increased.

The October average sell pric-

lower for regular, 2.1 cents lower for mid-grade, and 2.3 cents for premium. Diesel will be 5.8 cents more this month AAFES officials announced Saturday

"Synchronizing the gas policy will ensure that the price of gas at all overseas locations reflects the U.S. market price, month to month." Mai. Gen. Kathryn Frost. AAFES commander, said in a state ment issued by AAFES-Europe. "AAFES' objective is to offer pump prices that are consistent

with the CONUS average regard-

less of where troops are stationed."

Though AAFES gas prices will lands, the new AAFES price for standardized, different counsuper-unleaded fuel will be be standardized, different countries will have different prices because they have different suppli-

In the Azores, for example, the AAFES price for super plus unleaded will be 1.882 per gallon. In Germany, the same grade of gas will cost \$2.214, while it will be \$2.44 in the Netherlands.

The price for normal unleaded fuel will be \$2.024 per gallon in Germany. The price for super-un-leaded fuel will be \$2.122, and the diesel price will be \$2,048

For customers in the Nether-

\$2.195 per gallon, while diesel fuel increases to \$2.253.

AAFES' customers in the United Kingdom will pay \$2.056 a gallon for super-unleaded fuel. Super plus unleaded and LRP are no longer available in the UK. Diesel fuel customers will see a six-cent increase to \$1.982 per gallon.

For customers in Turkey, the new AAFES price for normal unleaded will be 1.896 per gallon. The price for super-unleaded fuel will be 2.340 and the price for diesel fuel will decrease to 2.280.

"Before people go out, they should remember to exchange the old Series 5 coupons for the new series," Maj. David Accetta said of the Germany and Netherlands gas coupons that expire at

the end of the month.

He also reminds drivers that though the coupons expire soon and can no longer be used off base, they will still be accepted at

AAFES gas stations through April "As a special reminder to die-sel drivers, AAFES does not sell diesel, so customers should remember to trade in any old cou-pons," he said.

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Army ready for annual Land Combat Expo

BY JON R. ANDERSON Stars and Stripes

HEIDELBERG. Germany Army officials are gearing up for the 3rd annual Land Combat Evno the service's professional

development symposium.

The three-day Expo kicks off Tuesday at Heidelberg's Patrick Henry Village Pavilion. The event is open to all U.S. military ID card holders, including family members and civilians.

Seven A-list guest speakers anchor the event, organizers say. Most of the speakers will focus on the theme for this year's expo which is "U.S. Army Europe: At War and Transforming.

Organizers are promising this year's expo will be the best yet. New this year, a series of panel discussions with recent veterans from the war in Iraq will explore lessons from the conflict.

"This is probably the most important part of the expo," said event organizer Maj. Tammy McKenna. "If we did nothing else, this would be it. The idea is to look at what individual units did and what they learned. And based on what we learned, this is how we should train to fight for future operations.

McKenna said ideally the panels will become a open forum for troops to "share ideas, ask ques-tions and learn from each other." In addition to the war-fighting

panels, three groups will mee concentrating on homefront issues, she said

While the Germans have backed out, this year will mark the first appearance by the Polish and Italian militaries at the expo, said McKenna. They'll be joining the British military contingent, a veteran of last year's event.

Each contingent will display a variety of weapons and military hardware, alongside U.S. war

Speakers and topics

Tuesday: ■ Gen. B.B. Bell, U.S. Army Europe commander AREUR at War and Transforming

■ Marine Gen. James Jones U.S. European Command and NATO leader — Transforming NATO in the Global War on

Terrorism Era Command Sgt. Maj. Anthony Williams, CSM of Training and Doctrine Command TRADOC update.

Wednesday ■ Lt. Gen. William Wallace, Commander Combined Arms Center — V Corps in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Sgt. Maj. of the Army Kenneth O Preston

Thursday Lt. Gen. Ricardo Sanchez.

V Corps commander - Combined Joint Task Force Operations in Iraq. ■ Command

Michele Jones, Army Reserve CSM Army Reserve - In the Fight, Ready and Relevant.

— From staff reports

gear including tanks, armored vees, helicopters and equipm Nearly 250 weapons and military hardware manufacturers. Army commands, associations and veterans groups, among others, will fill a massive fest tent

ith displays. While the exhibits will offer displays from the big names in the defense industry such as Boe-ing, maker of the CH-47 Chinook and C-17 cargo plane, troops also will get a chance to meet makers of more muddy boots interest. such as waterproof wear maker

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An AH-64 Apache Longbow touches down in front of Patrick Henry Village Pavilion in Heidelberg, Germany, as Army officials

Up for discussion

BY JON R. ANDERSON Stars and Strines

HEIDELBERG, Germany - While top leaders will provide keynote addresses throughout the Army's three-day symposium in Heidelberg this week, and unit and hardware displays will pack the expo grounds, "the real meat of the whole thing," says orga-nizer Maj. Tammy McKenna, will come

in more than a dozen panel discussions Most panels will include a senior officer, a junior officer, senior enlisted and junior enlisted soldiers who will make presentations of their experiences - and lessons learned the hard way — in Iraq.

The panels include: Tuesday

■ Victory Sappers — V Corps/CJTF engineers in support of OIF.

■ TF Bandit — The defeat of "Jaysh al Mehdi" militia in Karbala.

■ Divarty — Taming Zone 18: Artillerymen Adapt.

■ SETAF — Full spectrum operations at the battalion task force level. Wednesday ■ V Corps Artillery — Command and

Control of task force operations across the theater.

■ 2nd Brigade Combat Team - Striker Scimitar: the Battle for al Kut.

■ Division Engineers — The Iron Sappers in Combat: From assured mobility

to base camp construction.

■ G-2: Adapting the Cold War intelligence system. Thursday

■ 2nd BCT - Multi-dimensional approach to complex urban operations.

■ 2nd ACR — Balancing combat, information, and civil-military operations

in Baghdad ■ DISCOM — Turing Around Ameri-

ca's Tank Division.

■ 4th Brigade — Air-ground integra-tion: The Eagle Brigade in close com-

Additionally, repeating all three days will be presentations from a variety of speakers and groups, including three "homefront" panel discussions center-ing on family life during deployment.

The panels include:

■ Rear detachment

■ Re-integration

■ Family Readiness Groups

Big-name speakers back out of expo BY JON R. ANDERSON swarm of controversy around a recent colis now based on false assumptions that

HEIDELBERG, Germany - Army officials confirm author and lecturer Ralph Peters, a retired Army lieutenant colonel, is still scheduled to speak at this week's Land Combat Expo in Heidelberg despite a

umn he wrote that was critical of Germany. Peters will offer a daily lecture on the future of warfare during all three days of the

expo, as well as do book signings. "Peters will discuss his view that while our military is the best in the world, by far, our country's overall approach to warfare

hinder us from converting battlefield victories into enduring strategic successes," according the expo program.

German officials said they were boycott-

ing the event to "avoid confrontation" between Peters and German troops.

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U.S. troops defend legal prostitution

BY JESSICA INIGO Stare and Strings

RHEIN-MAIN AIR BASE, Germany - Troops stationed in Germany are seeing red over the Pen tagon's proposal to add an anti-prostitution charge to the Uniform Code of Military Justice. and it's not just the glow from the local red light district.

Military personnel and their families on Rhein Main Air Base. only minutes from one of the large est red light districts in the world, are angered by the Department of Defense announcement to change the UCMJ. Those interviewed largely agree that Germa-ny is not the place to enforce such

Unlike other overseas military installations across the world where sex trade and human trafficking runs rampant, in Germany, prostitution is legal. There are licensed brothels, called Eros Center, where working girls can rent their own rooms for the day. There are no madames.

Germany women choose prosti-

Many say proposed UCMJ change unfair in Germany, where profession is regulated

tution as a profession and are Pastor said. "It's a little bit pushy taxed as regular workers, according to Frankfurt Web sites

'Where are we talking about? asked Pfc. Marty Conyers of the 464th Replacement Detachment on Rhein-Main when asked if troops should be punished by one-year confinement and a dishonorable discharge if convicted for paying for sex. Convers said the anti-prostitution law would be unfair to troops in Germany, because it is legal here.

Army Sgt. Adam Z. Pastor, who just arrived at the replacement detachment on Rhein-Main and is waiting to go to his next unit, agreed, saying the addition to the UCMJ would be "harsh."

"It would be different if it were some third-world country that had no jobs and no opportunity, and women were forced into it."

to enforce that law here He added that if DOD officials

were making the addition for safety reasons, they should think again. "Right off the bat, if it's an issue of safety, there are condoms and stuff like that that soldiers can use

Snc. Tasha Smith added that the working women in Germany are regularly tested, so there should be nothing stopping troops from using Eros Centers if they

"It's a legal job, and if a girl wants to make money that way. she should be able to get her customers," Smith said

Preventing troops from visiting red light districts is going to be difficult, according to Airman 1st

Class Gerard Garcia. "Normally, I don't go to those places, but I don't think [the addition of an anti-prostitution charge to the UCMJ is going to work, Garcia said.

"I think, psychologically, we have men who have been away from women and, of course, hormones have built up, especially in the single soldiers." Garcia said. "I don't know what's going to happen, but I know it's not going to work from a psychological point

Not only that, but Conyers said troops should be able to spend their money how they choose.

"I've talked to soldiers who have gone to these places and it doesn't badly affect their military career or badly affect the prost tutes' career," Conyers said, adding, "Soldiers say this is [BS].

Sgt. 1st Class Henry Mims is of the same mind, adding that the

proposed anti-prostitution article is a little too much control over troops' personal lives

"Next, they're going to tell us we can't drink or only on the weekends," Mims said. "I think it's stupid."

Dana Molnar, the wife of an active-duty servicemember, says the DOD is silly to fret over where troops are getting it on in Germany

"It seems like we can spend our time worrying about more impor-tant things," she said.

However, Airman Michelle Johnson, who is new to the military and just came into country brings up a point on the legality of American troops paying for sex.

"I think that if it's illegal in the United States, that it should be illegal for U.S. military members, she said. "We shouldn't be able to do things here, like smoke weed, just because it's legal [where we live or visit.]

"Military members are supnosed to do the same as people in the States.

Sun will disrupt broadcast signals

Stars and Strines

Viewers and listeners of the American Forces Network may experience programming interruptions from Sept. 28 through Oct. 12 as the fall "sun outage" period occurs, according to a news release from the Defense Media Center. These seasonal outages which

take place each spring and fall, affect all satellite communications including the AFN radio and television services distributed by DMC, located at March Air Reserve Base, California.

Sun outage-related programming interruptions are character ized by a complete loss of signal for as much as several minutes. according to the organization The interruptions occur when

the sun's position aligns with broadcast satellites and Earth-station receivers.

The sun's radiation overpowers the broadcast signal, causing the disruption

The effect of sun outages on satellite-delivered programming received by the DMC will be minimal because alternate satellite feeds of incoming programming can be used to avoid sun

However, worldwide AFN affiliates may experience more significant disruption due to their reliance on a single satellite feed of the AFN services.

This fall's sun outages will be the most severe between Oct. 5 and 7.

Practice makes perfect





Above: Soldiers watch while German emergency response te for the "injured" at a simulated bomb explosion at Cambrai-Fritsch Casern in Germany on Saturday morning . Left: Emergency response is care for the "victims" during the mass-casualty exercise.



Left: Capt. Omer Ozguc, chief doctor on site during the exercise, helps German emergency response teams treat "injuries." U.S. forces worked together with the German disaster protection office, fire department, police, and numerous rescue services. Military installations throughout Darmstadt, Babenhausen, and Aschaffenburg were put on higher alert because of the exercise.

Photos by Jessica Inigo Stars and Stripes

Speakers: Big names cancel expo plans

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"With no combat experience their officers might have profited even more from attending the sessions than the American troops. who have experience of their own," Peters said. "This was a great chance for the German military to learn

about post-modern

Despite the controversy USAREUR's invitation still Peters stands But a slew of other high-profile

guests have

canceled for

varying reasons.

In addition to the Germans, other would-be attendees who have canceled include Gen. John Abizaid, former 1st Infantry Division commander and now chief of U.S. Central Command, who was to speak on his command and the war on terrorism

But with Iraq in recent weeks getting hit with some of the worst violence since the occupation began, Abizaid has had to cancel due to "scheduling conflicts" said

expo organizer Maj. Tammy McKenna

Deputy Defense Secretary Paul Wolfowitz, the Pentagon's number two civilian, also has had to cancel because of other commitments. Wolfowitz was to give a brief on the "transformation from the DOD perspective.

Also bowing out is Gen. George Jr., the commander of Multi-National Force-Iraq, who was to speak on the "challenges of an Army at war and transforming," according to the expo pro-

The commander of Fort Hood, Texas-based 4th Infantry Division, Mai, Gen, Raymond T. Odi-



on his unit's vearlong tour in Iraq, as well as retired Gen. Ranny Mc. Caffrey, who has heen highly critiof the

handling of the war in Iraq, have also canceled due to scheduling conflicts, said McKen-

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N.C. child abuse deaths greater in military areas

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Lt. Col. Joe Richard

BY EMERY P. DALESIO The Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. - One soldier is in prison for beating to death his 5-year-old son. Another killed his wife's daughter just weeks before her second

birthday. The cases exemplify new statistics showing that children from military families located in two counties are twice 44 We understand the as likely to be killed by their par

ents or other caregivers than other children statewide. Cumberland County is home to Fort Bragg and Pope Air Force Base, while Onslow County has Camp Lejeune Marine Corps Base and New River Ma-

rine Corps air station. Marcia Herman-Giddens, a researcher with the North Caro lina Child Advocacy Institute, looked at child abuse homicides in North Carolina between 1985-2000.

In that period, Herman-Gid-dens found 378 child abuse deaths statewide in that period, which com

an annual rate of 2.2 deaths per 100,000 children. In Cumberland County, home to Fort Bragg and Pope Air Force Base, the annual child abuse homicide rate was 4.4 per 100,000 children, and about 5 per 100,000 for military families in the Onslow County, and nearly 5 per 100,000 for military families

The counties had 58 child abuse homicides during the years studied.

They had 7 percent of the state's children but 15 percent of the child abuse homicides, she said.

The study's findings were shared with officers at the state's military bases over the past two years, but no one can fully explain the reasons behind

them, Herman-Giddens said. "They had somewhat assumed that because of all of their programs, and they do have a lot, that their rate would be lower." Herman-Giddens said. "I know it was a surprise to them.

Herman-Giddens recom-mends launching a national study of all military installations to determine whether higher child abuse homicide rates are a national problem for the mili-

Pentagon spokesman The U.S. military has had family advocacy programs since 1986 to help tro and their families cope with life in the ranks, Pentagon spokesman Lt. Col. Joe Richard said

"We understand the stress that the normal mili-tary life puts on families," he said. "The institu-tion is stressful by its very nature."







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Above: A man rescued from the rubble of destroyed houses is rushed to hospital Saturday in Fallujah, Iraq. U.S. warplanes, tanks and artillery units bombed a suspected meeting of insurgents, killing at least eight people and wounding 15, hospital officials said. Right: Local residents try to rescue survivors from the rubble of a razed building after the U.S. strikes Saturday.

U.S. strikes at insurgents in Fallujah

Four Marines, one soldier killed in separate incidents around Iraq

BY KIM HOUSEGO The Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq - U.S. warplanes, tanks and artillery units struck the insurgent stronghold of Fallujah on Saturday, killing at least eight people and wounding 15 in a day that saw new violence across the country.

In Baghdad, gunmen opened fire on a vehicle carrying Iraqi National Guard applicants, killing six people, police said. The slavings were part of a militant campaign targeting Iraqi security forces and recruits in a bid to thwart IIS backed efforts to build an Iraqi force capable of taking over security from American

Police Lt. Omar Ahmed said the group had just left a national guard recruiting center where they had signed up to join the force in the west Baghdad neighborhood of Al-Jamiyah when the attack occurred

The Iraqi National Guard also clashed with unidentified gunmen in Haswa, south of the capital, injuring four people, hospital officials said. The fighting lasted about half an hour, witnesses

Meanwhile, five mortar shells struck the Iraqi Oil Ministry in Raphdad causing minor damage to the building and shattering windows, said ministry spokesman Assem Jihad. There were no immediate reports of casualties. The U.S. military said the Fallu-

jah strikes targeted a meeting point in the center of the city, west of Baghdad, for fighters loval to Jordanian terror mastermind Abu Musab al-Zargawi.

"Intelligence sources reported that Zarqawi terrorists were using the site to plan additional attacks against Iraqi citizens and multinational forces." the military said in a statement

Ámerican forces also bombed rebel-built fortifications overnight, including concrete and earthen barriers and roadblocks. used to restrict movement in the city and mount attacks on Marine positions outside Fallujah, the military said in a separate statement Saturday

Dr. Dhiya al-Jumaili of Fallujah General Hospital said at least eight people were killed and 15 wounded, including women and

children Explosions

lit up the night sky for hours and at least two buildings in the city cen were wrecked, witnesses said. The Fallujah mosque switched on its loudspeakers clerics and chanted pravers rally the city's

residents. American

troops have not entered Fallujah since ending a three-week siege of the city in April that left hundreds dead.

The U.S. military announced the deaths of four Marines in three separate incidents Friday. A military statement said the Marines were conducting a security operation in Anbar province, which includes Fallujah, Ramadi, and other places that are the scene of clashes between U.S. and insurgent forces. No further details were disclosed.

A U.S. soldier was killed when a homemade bomb exploded Saturday, the military said in a statement. The blast occurred at 6:45 a.m. and also slightly damaged a vehicle. No further details were provided.

Underscoring just how dependent the Iraqi government still is on outside help, interim Prime Minister Ayad Allawi urged the international community to set aside its differences over the legality of the invasion to oust Saddam Hussein and "stand fast by

Traq."

"We need to broaden the base

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U.S. military statement

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> confront terrorism, told the U.N General Assembly in New York on Friday. Saturday's strikes were

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the latest in a string of attacks against al-Zargawi's

network, which has claimed responsibility for numerous car bombings, kidnappings and other assaults meant to destabilize Irag's U.S.-backed interim authorities and drive coalition forces from the country.

On Friday, the Muslim Council of Britain sent a pair of negotiators to meet with religious leaders in Baghdad to try to win the release of British hostage Kenneth Bigley. The group described Daud Abdullah and Musharraf Hussain as "well-respected figures in the British Muslim com-

A posting on an Islamic Inter-

net site Saturday claimed that al-Zargagi's followers have killed Bigley, but the Foreign Office in London said the claim did not apnear credible.

The site also claimed that seven British troops had been captured. But Capt. Donald Francis, a spokesman for the British military, said that all forces "are accounted for." He had no information on the claim to have executed the British hostage.

Al-Zarqawi's Tawhid and Jihad had threatened to kill Bigley un-less Iraqi women are freed from

The statement, which appeared on the site typed in red, consisted of a single line.

Tawhid and Jihad announces that it has executed the British citizen and gives you the good news of kidnapping seven British sol-diers," the statement said, "We will be releasing the tape short-

The little-known site tends to pick up claims from other sites and was among the many to carry video footage of the beheadings of two American civil engineer Eugene Armstrong and Jack Henslev - who were taken hostage last week with Bigley. It also carried the tape of the 62-year-old Briton begging authorities to meet his kidnappers' demands and save his life, as well as two shaky claims that two Italian hostages were killed.

The British Foreign Office said it was aware of the claim that Rig. lev had been killed, but described it as a "discredited" site.

"We don't think it's anything to be taken too seriously," the For-eign Office statement said.

'It's just a posting," a Foreign Office spokeswoman said on customary condition of anonymity. "We can't see there's anything credible in this at all.

U.S. deaths in Iraq

The Associated Press

As of Friday, 1,042 members of the U.S. military have died since the beginning of the Iraq war in March 2003, according to the Defense Department. Of those, 792 died as a result of hostile action and 250 died of nonhostile causes. The figures include three military civil-

The British military has reported 65 deaths; Italy, 19; Poland, 13; Spain, 11; Bulgaria, six: Ukraine, eight: Slovakia, three; Thailand, two; the Neth erlands, two; and Denmark, El Salvador, Estonia, Hungary and Latvia have reported one death each

Since May 1, 2003, when President Bush declared that major combat operations in Iraq had ended, 904 U.S. military members have died 683 as a result of hostile action and 221 of nonhostile causes, according to the military.

The latest deaths reported by U.S. Central Command:

■ No deaths reported.

The latest identification reported by the Department of

Army Sgt. Skipper Soram, 23, Kolonia, Micronesia; killed Wednesday by a car bomb in Baghdad, Iraq; assigned to 3rd Battalion, 82nd Field Artillery Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas

Should OpFor soldiers be sent to war?

Some think they should stick to training, but opposing-force troops are happy to deploy

BY LISA BURGESS Stars and Stripes

BAGHDAD - Whether it's in the California deserts of Fort Irwin or in the woods at the Combat Maneuver Training Center in Hohenfels, Germany, almost no one who goes through a rotation at one of the U.S. military's train-

ing centers ever wins against the 44 Our platoon is opposing force, or "OpFor.

"OpFor" The are experts at the terrain also known in Armyspeak as "The Box," where they work every daily These soldiers dress, speak, and act like insurgents, probing for weakunits nesses by setting ambushes, mock-poisoning water supplies, or just stalking a par-

ticular group and capturing it in the middle of the night, when exhaustion sets in. So when word came down that

some OpFor units had been tapped for Operation Iraqi Freedom II, the military community instantly began a buzzing dehate

One one hand, why wouldn't Army send soldiers who spend all their time thinking and acting like insurgents against the real thing?

On the other hand, units tapped for Iraq or Afghanistan often go through an OpFor rotation. So who would train these deploying soldiers if the OpFor troops weren't available

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Presidential Democratic candidate Sen. John Kerry is one of the critics of deploving OpFor, saying the troops need their expertise. "People

been sent over there without the training sary, with too littraining. Kerry told Stripes

"We even have our top trainers who have been deployed to go over there rather than be where they can train people.

Among the OpFor units currently in Iraq:

■ Company A and Company B, 1st Battalion, 509th Airborne Infantry Regiment from the Joint Readiness Training Center at Fort Polk, La



Above: Sgt. First Class Brian Hester, from Mount Sterling, N.Y., Company B, 1st Battalion, 509th Airborne Infantry Regiment's platoon sergeant, also known as "Ammo Can" by his men, tightens a strap on an armored Humvee before Wednesday night's standard 12-hour mission.

31st Infantry Regiment, from Fort Drum, N.Y.: 58th Combat Engineer Company from Fort Irwin.

Company A, 1st Battalion, 4th Infantry Regiment from Hohenfels, Germany - deployed last week to Afghanistan.

Although the OpFor units attached to the 10th Mountain Division in Baghdad have only been doing combat operations in Iraq since mid-July, their commander says the soldiers are doing yeoman service.

"These guvs are great," said Col. Mark Milley, the 10th Mountain's 2nd Brigade Combat Team commander in Iraq.

"They are extra well-trained, well-disciplined," and well-disciplined, with said. "They are fighting a battle using tactics, techniques and procedures, and they are very, very good at just this type of fighting we are doing over here."

The desert deployment was welcomed by the OpFor soldiers, according to Sgt. First Class Brian Hester, from Mount Sterling, N.Y, platoon sergeant for Company B, 1st Battalion, 509th Airborne Infantry Regiment.

"We were extremely frustrated" not to be fighting a "real" enemy, said Hester.

"People were literally fighting over spots" in the two companies were tapped for deployment," Hester said during a 12-hour Wednesday night patrol of his company's turf near Baghdad International Airnort

"Almost everyone volunteered to go," Hester said.

"For every man over here, I guarantee there are two or three at Fort Polk chomping at the bit to take their place.

One soldier who got a coveted

deployment spot was Pfc. Brett Erickson, 18

"I begged to be here," Erickson, who is with 2nd platoon, "All my buddies were coming, and I wanted to be with them But Erickson, of Hilo, Hawaii,

had only benn with the unit for one month before he was called to Iraq, "And they wanted to take experienced people," he said

Finally, Erickson's platoon sergeant changed his mind.

"I think I asked so much, he just got kind of annoyed," Erick-

Like Erickson, Pfc. Carey Seaborn, 22, from Mount Juliet, Tenn., is a newbie.

Seaborn, who is with the 58th Combat Engineer Company, has been in the Army for just 19 months. But Seaborn said he when he found out he would be deployed to Iraq at the end of April. it was welcome news.

"I felt it was time to do our part," he said.

Now that they are settling into Iraq, "Our platoon is one of the tightest groups of guys I have ever been around," said Staff Sgt.
John Wilbanks of Picayune, Miss., with the 2nd platoon

"We know we have a job to do, but we keep it fun.

Yet although the OpFor units are close-knit, "they fit in well" with the other soldiers of the 10th Mountain, Milley said

"I think they [are] a real value-add to the brigade." Milley

"We're very proud of them."

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3 more SEALs charged with prisoner abuse

BY SANDRA JONTZ Stars and Stripes

ARLINGTON, Va. — Three more sailors with Naval Special Warfare Command face charges for allegedly abusing prisoners in Iraq, bringing to seven the number of seaman facing disciplinary action in the incident.

Six of the seven sailors are members of the service's elite special forces. Four sailors were charged three weeks ago, said Cmdr. Jeff Bender, spokesman for the Naval Special Warfare Command in San Diego.

None of the sailors has been identified publicly.

The three sailors charged Friday are charged with more serious crimes than the previous four. Their charges include failure to report abuse to superior authorities, dereliction of drut, maltreatment of detainees, assault, aggravated assault with intent to cause death or serious bodily harm, conduct unbecoming, obstruction of justice and assault with a deadly weapon.

The previous four were charged with failure to report maltreatment of detainees to proper authorities, maltreatment of detainees, making false official statements to investigators, assault and aggravated assault, and solicitation to commit an offense.

The allegations against all seven surfaced when another SEAL, who no longer is part of

SEAL, who no longer is part of the Navy's special forces command and who himself faces unrelated disciplinary action, told officials investigating his case that he witnessed the abuse of detainees between October 2003 and April 2004, Bender said.

Bender said he could not disclose the nature of the allegations against the one SEAL who provided information to investigators, but said it has nothing to do with prisoner abuse.

Nor can he disclose details about the abuse incident or where in Iraq the alleged abuse took place. However, it did not occur at the infamous Abu Ghraib prison in Baghdad, which has been the source of much of he abuse scandal surrounding the Army and which led to a series of investigations by high-level defense, congressional and former defense officials.

No dates for any disciplinary hearings have set for any of the seven sailors, Bender said. The hearings are likely to take place in San Diego, where the SEALs are based, he said.

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Pfc. Lynndie England, center, gestures while walking with her mother, Terrie, left, as the two leave XVIII Airborne Corps Judge Advocate Building with attorney Rick Hernandez last month at Fort Bragg, N.C. England was appearing for an Article 32 hearing on charges stemming from Abu Ghraib prisoner abuses.

England to face court-martial

BY ESTES THOMPSON

RALEIGH, N.C. — Army Pfc. Lynndie England, who has come to symbolize the Iraqi prisoner abuse scandal, will face a court-martial, one of her lawvers said.

The Army will announce the court-martial on Monday and may schedule the military trial to begin in January, defense attorney Rhidian Orr said Friday.

An Army spokesman at Fort Bragg, where England has been assigned while her case is pending, confirmed that a decision regarding the case is scheduled to be released Monday. The decision rests with Lt. Gen. John Vines, commander of the 18th Airborne Corps at the post.

England, 21, is one of seven members of the 37-2nd Military Police Company of Cresaptown, Md., charged with the abuse that occurred last year at Abu Ghraib prison in Baghdad. Photographs were transmitted around the world showing the reservist holding a naked prisoner by a leash, smiling and pointing at a hooded detainee's genitals and posing behind a pyramid of nude Iraqis. Although the court-martial was not a surprise,

Although the court-martal was not a surprise, "Lynndie's case is a heck of a lot stronger than it used to be," Orr said.

He did not say what charges his client will face,

but hearing officer Col. Denise Arn has recommended that England be court-martialed on 17 counts of abuse and indecent acts.

Military prosecutors portray the abuse as the work of a renegade band of reservists.

Arn suggested England was largely led astray by some of the other reservists charged in the case, par-

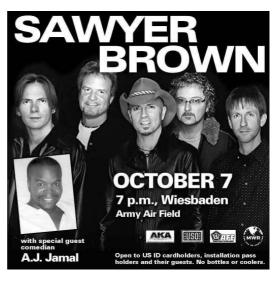
Attorneys say Graner is the father of the child England expects to deliver in October.

England's attorneys argued in the hearing that she posed for the pictures on orders from higher-ups to "soften up" Iraqi prisoners. Her lawyers sought unsuccessfully to call such high-level witnesses as Vice President Dick Cheney and Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld.

372nd MPs welcomed home



Capt. Donald J. Reese, unit commander of the 372nd Military Police company, based in Cresaptown, Md., speaks to a crowd of about 400 friends and family Friday in Cumberland, Md., to welcome home the unit. In background in First Sgt. Brian Lipinski. Last October, the unit was transferred to Abu Ghraib prison, put in charge of minding some of the thousands of prisoners who filled the cells. In April, photos emerged showing members of the unit allegedly subjecting prisoners to humiliation and abuse.



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IN THE WORLD

Jeanne hits the Bahamas

By Tammi MITCHELL

The Associated Press

FREEPORT, Bahamas - Hurricane Jeanne strengthened to a dangerous Category 3 hurricane as it hattered the Rahamas with ferocious winds and torrential rains Saturday.

Jeanne's eye made a direct hit on the northwestern island of Abaco Saturday morning, and its sustained winds strengthened to 115 mph, making it the sixth major hurricane of the season. Forecasters said further strengthening was possible before Jeanne hits southeast Florida.

After tearing into Abaco, a low-lying island of 20,000 people famous for its stunning beaches. Jeanne's heavy winds and rains began to reach Grand Bahama, where more than 70,000 live, many of them in Freeport.

Jeanne was upon the Bahamas three weeks after the island chain took a beating from Frances, which killed two people and damaged thousands of homes. It toppled rows of power lines, flat-

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tened homes and uprooted trees during a two-day lashing of Grand

Many homes still have roofs patched with plastic sheeting, and some homeless residents are still living with relatives or neighbors.

Jeanne hit the Bahamas following a devastating hit as a tropical storm last weekend on Haiti, where floods killed more than 1.500 and left more than 900 still missing. The southern Bahamian islands were under a storm warning when Jeanne brushed past into the Atlantic, then made a loop and headed back west.

The hurricane about 155 miles east of Florida's southeast coast Saturday morning. It was moving west at nearly 14 mph.

Hurricane-force winds extended 70 miles from the center and tropical storm-force winds to 205 miles. Gusty winds and crashing waves buffeted the Bahamian capital of Nassau

Beforehand, officials urged neo ple to evacuate low-lying homes. and shelters were set up in schools and churches on the northwestern islands of Abaco Eleuthera and Grand Bahama

On Friday people waited in long lines at gas stations in Free-port, crowded into stores to stock up on food and water, and rushed to secure plywood over their win-

Forecasters at the U.S. National Hurricane Center in Miami said Jeanne was likely to strengthen to a major hurricane later Saturday. The storm was forecast to stir up dangerous surf and rip currents, and dump up to 10 inches

A hurricane warning covered the northwest Bahamas and parts of Florida's east coast, and a tropical storm warning the central Bahamian islands and parts of the northeast Florida and Georgia coasts. Parts of Florida's west coast also were under hurricane and storm warnings.

Several cruise ships were diverted, and Grand Bahama's airport was closed Friday night.



Nassau resident Steven McQueen collects coconuts fallen off tree Saturday as winds from Hurricane Jeanne passed through the island of New Providence, Bahamas. Hurricane Jeanne lashed the country, making a direct hit on Abaco island and threatening the city of Freeport.

Report: Iran successfully tests a 'strategic missile

BY ALI AKBAR DAREINI

The Associated Press

TEHRAN, Iran - Iran said Saturday it success fully tested a "strategic missile" and delivered it to its armed forces, state-run radio reported. The report did not say whether the missile was

the previously announced new version of the Shahab-3 rocket, which already was canable of reaching Israel and U.S. forces stationed in the Middle East, or was a new missile.

Defense Minister Ali Shamkhani declined to give details about the missile for "security reasons," but said Iran was "ready to confront all regional and extra-regional threats," the report said. Defense Ministry officials could not be reached for comment on the report.

"This strategic missile was successfully test fired during military exercises by the Revolutionary Guards and delivered to the armed forces. Shamkhani was quoted as saying. The exercises were held Sept. 12-18.

The announcement came four days after Israel said it was buying about 5,000 U.S.-made smart bombs, including 500 one-ton bunker-busters that can penetrate 6-foot-thick concrete walls

In 1981, Israel bombed Iraq's nuclear facility be-

fore the reactor could begin operating and the smart bombs are believed capable of destroying Iranian nuclear sites. Iran is suspected by the United States and others of developing nuclear arms and is under increasing international pressure to cease some atomic projects.

The maneuvers conducted by Iran's Revolutionary Guards this month near the border with Iraq were described by top military officials as being designed to reinforce the country's resolve to de-fend itself against "big powers."

During the maneuvers, state-run radio said a long-range missile" would be test fired, but there

had not been any official confirmation of the test. The military exercises came a few weeks after Iran said it had test fired a new version of the Shahab-3. Iran's Defense Ministry didn't give the missile's new range, but Israeli sources speaking in Jerusalem later said it was more than 1,200 miles,

or about 400 miles longer than its previous range. The development of the Shahab, whose name means "shooting star" in Persian, has raised fears in Israel about possible attack by the Iranian government, which strongly opposes the Jewish state's existence.

Earlier this month, Israel launched a spy satellite meant to monitor Iran but the Ofek-6 plunged into the Mediterranean Sea shortly after launch.

British reporter investigated for breaching royal security

BY ROBERT BARR

LONDON - A reporter for a British newspaper breached security at a royal residence in Scotland, police said.

Les Snowdon, Scotland editor for The Sunday Times, said Friday that the unidentified reporter spent 20 minutes inside the Palace of Holyroodhouse and left after being challenged by a construction worker.

Police expressed annoyance with what they called a journalistic stunt. A police official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the reporter broke away from a security guard who was escorting him, and police then spent hours searching the palace.

Snowdon said the newspaper decided to test security following a string of breaches at other royal and government facilities.

"A reporter wearing a hard hat was able to gain entry to a restricted area unchallenged, including the state rooms adjacent to the queen's bedroom," Snowdon said. "He was under instruction to remain in that area until questioned, which happened after 20 minutes. A construction worker asked him to report to reception, and he then left the pal-

Snowdon said the newspaper notified police and agreed to cooperate with their investigation

The incident came a week after five fov-hunting sunnorters ran into the Parliament chamber to protest moves to ban the sport.

Two days earlier, a man in a Batman costume scaled the front wall of London's Buckingham Palace in a protest about the rights of divorced and separated fathers to see their children.

Sudan alleges coup plot

KHARTOUM, Sudan - Sudanese authorities accused an opposition party Saturday of plotting to kill more than three dozen senior government officials and blow up key sites in the capital, where heavily armed troops were out in force for a second day

The state news agency said the planned attacks were part of a coup plot for which some members of the opposition Popular Congress Party were arrested earlier this month.

Two army officers and an unspecified number of privates were among those arrested before plotters could launch a series of abductions and attacks that were to have begun at 2 p.m. Friday, the Sudan Media Center said. It said the officers allegedly turned over arms to the plotters.

The development comes as Sudan is under international pressure to end violence in the western Darfur region be-tween non-Arab farmers and Arab nomads allegedly backed by the Arab-dominated government in Khartoum.

Hamas leader feels targeted

CAIRO, Egypt — Hamas leader Khaled Mashaal, whose Palestinian militant group sends suicide bombers into Isra-el, knows that Israel has him targeted again.

And the leader of the Damascus-based political bureau of Hamas is taking no chances.

"We are in a state of alert and vigilance," he told The Associated Press this week during a visit to Cairo from his home base in the Syrian capital, Damascus.

Since Hamas suicide bombings killed 16 Israelis in the southern Israeli city of Beersheba on Aug. 31, Israeli offi-cials began focusing their warnings on Syria and the Hamas leaders like Mashaal who are based in Damascus. Hamas officials say all attacks are planned and carried out by operatives in the Palestinian territories.

In recent years, Israel has killed top Hamas leaders in the West Bank and Gaza. Just how effective these assassinations have been is not clear. New leaders readily moved to fill the vacuum, but the secrecy and security-dictated re-strictions on movements under which they are forced to operate to stay alive is bound to have an effect.

Yoni Fighel of the Israeli Institute for Counter-Terrorism, said the Israeli campaign against Hamas is making a

From The Associated Press

Teen's \$30,000 secret

ZAGRER Croatia 13-year-old girl who paid off three older teens so they wouldn't tell her parents she smoked soon found herself in even worse trouble: The teens threatened to kill her father if she didn't fork over more money, police said.

The three suspects, ages 15, 16 and 17, were detained Thursday, after the girl had told her parents she had paid them \$30,000 in bribes since March, Zagreb police spokeswoman Gordana Vuluma said.

The girl had taken the money from her parents, who had saved it to pay for a new home Like many Croatians who don't trust banks, they had kept the cash at home.

E-mail after death

MADRID, Spain — E-mail from beyond the grave? Not exactly.

But a Spanish Internet company is breaking fresh ground on the Web by offering people the chance to write one last e-mail, complete with video clip or photo attachments, and send it to loved ones, friends or even en-emies after the person who wrote it is dead.

"Most people leave notes behind in drawers or boxes knowing or hoping they will be found after they die. This is the same, Iriarte, 33, director of Global Spectrum, the Pamplona-based company which runs the ser-

He said that the site, with English, Spanish and Portuguese versions, has been running since January but only really began to take off in July

Rare Rembrandt

STOCKHOLM, Sweden -Flanked by gun-toting guards and security cameras, one of the few Rembrandt paintings not in a museum or private collection went on public display Saturday and on sale with an asking price of \$46 million

The 1635 painting, "Minerva In Her Study," is one of the most significant to be offered in Swe-

Art dealer Verner Aamell told The Associated Press he'll keep the painting by the Dutch mas ter on display in a private gal-lery in the capital and let the public view it for four weeks.

The opening comes a month after armed thieves broke into a museum in Oslo. Norway, and made off with Edvard Munch's masterpieces "The Scream" and "Madonna."

The brazen daylight theft stirred a debate across Europe on how to protect art if thieves are prepared to use deadly force to take it.

From The Associated Press

Scorpion Queen survives 17 stings to set record

BY PAULINE JASUDASON The Associated Press

KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia After surviving 17 scorpion stings, a Malaysian claimed a new world record on Saturday for living 36 days in a glass room with 6,069 of the deadly creatures

and said she couldn't wait to go shopping with her mother. Nur Malena Hassan, emerged from the 10 feet by 12 feet display box in a mall in the eastern city of Kuantan to the beat of traditional drums and

cheers of support from a 3,000-strong crowd "I feel so satisfied!" she told The Associated Press by telephone. "I got what I wanted after enduring pain from 17 stings and spending 36 days in there."

Nur Malena said she couldn't wait to get back to her regular activities - like shopping.

"My mum is here and we're at a mall, so I'm starting right away," she said.

Dubbed the "Scorpion Oueen." Nur Malena beat the record set by her rival, Kanchana Ketkeaw of Thailand, who last year sur-vived nine stings in a 32-day stay with 3,000 scorpions.

for the Malaysia Book of Records, said a video and other documentation will be sent to the Guinness Book of World Records office in London for verification

During her ordeal, Nur Malena moved slowly to avoid upsetting her roommates, even as scorpions clambered over her body. She left the box only for a 15-minute bathroom break every day, excent for her birthday last week. when she emerged for two minutes to cut the cake.

Nur Malena has built up resistance to stings after five years of training, but can pass out if stung three times within a short span. A doctor had remained on standby to treat her if necessary

Thousands of Malaysians visited the mall to observe the record attempt. Nur Malena lived her life on display, sleeping, eating, performing Muslim prayers, reading magazines and watching television to keep occupied.

Malaysians have displayed a growing penchant in recent years for offheat records - such as the highest backward climb up a staircase and the largest number of old people at a circus.



Nur Malena Hassan, 27, known as Scorpion Queen, has broken a world record by enduring 36 days enclosed in a glass display box. Nur Malena suffered 17 stings while living with 6,069 scorpions in a glass room built inside a mall in the city of Kuantan. Malaysia.



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In May, Palestinian men carry two badly wounded children moments after an Israeli missile strike on a Rafah refugee camp in the Gaza Strip. As the Palestinian intefache neters its fifty hyaer, Israelis and Palestinians are no closer to ending the conflict. It has killed more than 3,100 on the Palestinian side and nearly 1,000 on the Israeli side.

In Middle East, no relief

Palestinian uprising enters fifth year, exhausts both sides

BY STEVEN GUTKIN

JERUSALEM — As the Palestinian intefadeh eners its fifth year of suicide bombings and impoverishment under an unyielding occupation, Israel has clearly gained the upper hand. It has plunged the Palestinian leadership into disarray, with Yasser Arafat under permanent Israeli siege as well as unprecedented attack from within his own ranks.

But the Palestinians have scored gains too: The bloody conflict has rallied Arab public opinion as never before, and resonates among Islamic fighters the world over.

Now 2005 is shaping up as a year of historic change for Israel's 6.75 million citizens and the 3.6 million Palestinians in the West Bank separation barrier should be nearing completion, along with Prime Minister Ariel Sharon's plan to withdraw from Gaza and parts of the West Bank.

It amounts to no less than a redrawing of the political and geographical boundaries of the Mideast conflict.

Israelis and Palestinians are as far as ever from ending the struggle that has killed more than 3,100 on the Palestinian side and nearly 1,000 on the Israeli side since September 2000, when violence engulfed the Oslo peace accords of the 1990s.

Today, the battles are as much internal as Arab-Israeli — between Arafat and critics of his corruption-tainted 10-year rule, and between Sharon and the hard-liners in his Likud Party who bitterly oppose his plan for "hitnatkut" (disengagement) from the Palestrians

The big unanswered question is whether 76-year-old Sharon's plan is the start of a true partition of historic Palestine between Arab and Jew, or a ploy to get rid of the bits he doesn't need, while consolidating Israel's control of the parts he cherishes.

Most likely it is both.

On the Israeli side, many take the barrier of walls and fences as a facil admission that the dream of fus-

and fences as a tacit admission that the dream of fusing Israel and the West Bank into one seamless Jewish Promised Land cannot be achieved. Israel says it's on the front line of the international

Israel says it's on the front line of the international war on terror. Israel's critics say its actions have doomed President Bush's Mideast peacemaking ambitions. Each side is blamed by the other — Israel for building settlements on occupied lands, the Palestinians for sending suicide bombers into Israeli cities.

Albanian arrested with 64 pounds of heroin

ATHENS, Greece — Police arrested an Albanian man and seized 64 pounds of heroin smuggled into Greece from neighboring Albania, authorities said Saturday.

Police said the alleged drug trafficker — identified as Bashkimi Katali, 22, from Fieri, Albania — was arrested early Friday at an apartment in the Athens' Kerameikos district.

During the raid, officers seized a suitcase containing the heroin, which was in small packages.

Authorities said Katali is suspected of being part of a large trafficking network that was used to smuggle some 66 pounds of heroin

from Albania to Greece every two weeks.

"Based on the evidence gathered so far we can say that specific group is one of the largest ones that smuggled and trafficked heroin in Greece from Albania," police said in a statement.

Police are also seeking two more Albanians who are believed to be part of the trafficking network.

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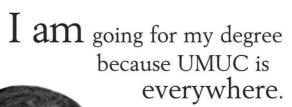


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IN THE STATES

Fla. orders evacuation of 3 million residents

Jeanne would be 4th hurricane to hit state this season

BY JILL BARTON

FORT PIERCE, Fla. — Hurricane Jeanne got stronger, bigger and faster Saturday, forcing anxious Floridians to hurriedly shutter their homes and buy last-minute supplies as the storm bore down on the state's Atlantic coast with winds near 115 mph. Three million people were told to

If it hits Florida late Saturday or Sunday as predicted, it would be the fourth hurricane to slam the flourib hurricane to slam the matched in more than a century. Jeanne strengthened into a Category 3 storm Saturday, and Jack Bewen, a hurricane specialist at the National Hurricane center in Miami, warned that a Category 4 storm with winds of at least 131 mph "is not out of the question."

Already blamed for more than 1,500 deaths in Haiti, Jeanne was poised to slam some of the same areas hit by the earlier storms, potentially transforming still-uncleared piles of debris into deadly missiles. The storm's outre edges already were dropping rain and kicking up winds along Floridate east coast Saturday afternoon.

From Melbourne south to West Palm Beach, law enforcement officers announced over the radio that anyone outside their homes after a 6 p.m. curfew would end up in jail.

Across Palm Beach County, resi-

dents frantically gathered last-minute supplies Saturday after awaking to a forecast that had Jeanne making a direct hit in less than 18 hours.

"I can imagine a lot of people here this morning started freaking out," said Lynn Tarrington of Lake Worth, who was leaving her home near the water. "Yesterday I was hoping we wouldn't lose power again and now I'm hoping I have a house left when I come back."

Airlines began canceling flights at airports in Miami and Fort Lauderdale, which were planning to close, stranding some passengers. Authorities urged storm-weary residents to speed up plans to secure their property and evacuate if necessary.

Jean McArthur, of West Palm Beach, was buying supplies at a Wal-Mart. She had bags full of water, batteries, flashlights and snacks for her three kids.

"We've all been thinking, 'This really can't come at us again.' Now that it's just a few hours away, everyone is being forced to take it seriously. I've stopped laughing about it at this point," said McArthur, 39.

No state has been struck by four hurricanes in one season since Texas in 1886. Jeanne could turn into the latest in a devastating chain of hurricanes that have rattled southwest and central Florida (Charley), the state's midsection (Frances) and Florida's Panhan.

dle (Ivan). Combined, the storms have caused billions of dollars of damage and at least 70 deaths in Florida.

Florida.

Gov. Jeb Bush warned that Jeanne could be stronger than Frances, which caused more \$4.1 billion in insured damages in Florida and killed at least 24. He referenced the destruction of Ivan, which devastated barrier islands in the Panhandle and killed at least 24.

"I can't imagine someone not taking this seriously after the last six weeks," Bush said Saturday. About 3 million people were under mandatory or voluntary evacuation orders, state emergency operations spokesman Mike

Stone said.

Charley hit Aug. 13 as a Category 4 on the Safford-Simpson scale with winds of 145 mph. Frances hit on Labor Day weekend as a Category 2 with winds of 105 mph, and Ivan hit last week as a strong Category 3 with winds of 130 mph.

Crews with heavy machinery worked Friday to clear the mess of flattened homes, torn roofs and snapped trees left by Frances. But many acknowledged it was a losing battle.

"They're trying their best but there's a tremendous amount of debris out there. Realistically, it doesn't really seem like it would be possible to get it all gathered before this storm hits," said Theresa Woodson, a spokeswoman for Indian River County.

After causing deadly flooding in

Hurricane Jeanne churning westward

More than half a million residents of Florida's east coast were urged to evacuate – again – as Hurricane Jeanne churned westward

Friday threatening to become the fourth hurricane to pound the state in the last six weeks

Probability that center of Hurricane Jeanne will pass within 75 miles, during the 72 hours starting at 8 a.m. EDT Friday



As of 5 p.m. EDT, Friday

Hurricane warning Hurricane watch
Potential day 1 to 3 track area

Potential day 4 to 5 track area

---- Hurricane Jeanne
---- Recent hurricanes



SOURCE: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Haiti, Jeanne looked early in the week like it had turned north and was headed safely out to sea, but it made a jagged loop that brought it toward the Bahamas and Florida.

At 2 p.m. EDT, Jeanne was centered about 145 miles east-southeast of Vero Beach and was moving west at 14 mph.

Sustained winds were 115 mph, up from 105 earlier Saturday. A hurricane becomes a Category 3 storm when it reaches sustained winds of 111 mph. After its expected northward turn over the Florida peninsula, Jeanne was expected to stay inland over Georgia and the Carolinas through Tuesday.

Hurricane warnings were posted from south of Miami to St. Augustine in northeast Florida, and a hurricane watch was up from St. Augustine northward to Altamaha Sound, Ga. A hurricane watch also was issued for Florida's Gulf Coast from Englewood in southwest Florida to the Suwanee River north of the Tampa Bay area.

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Bush, Kerry plan to spend, spend, spend

Experts predict both economic proposals would lead to sky-high deficit

BY ALAN FRAM

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - President Bush and Democratic Sen. John Kerry have starkly different economic priorities with a common thread: price tags exceeding \$1 trillion that could pump already huge deficits skyward over the next decade.

Headlining Bush's budget goals for a second term is making permanent the tax cuts he has pushed through Congress, at a 10-year cost the administration sets at nearly \$1 trillion. Leading Kerry's agenda are his 10-year. \$653 billion health-care plan and

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a \$207 billion education package.

Both candidates supported the five- and six-year extensions of \$133 billion in middle-income tax cuts that Congress passed Thursday. Kerry wouldn't have included the \$13 billion in renewed business tax breaks that Congress attached to it but would have added bigger government child-support checks to working low-income families who do not pay income

Though he has offered no details. Bush also would let workers divert part of their Social Security taxes to new personal savings accounts - which some analysts estimate could cost \$2 trillion

Kerry would raise the money for his priorities by repealing tax cuts on upper-income people, increasing government efficiency and prodding companies to improve workers' health coverage. Some analysts say he has underpriced his health plan and proposed some savings that are wishful thinking.

"They are presenting very, very different agendas. But they arrive at roughly the same place relative to the deficit," said Robert Bixby, executive director of the Concord Coalition, a bipartisan group that advocates balanced budgets.

Bixby estimates both men's initiatives would increase the government's red ink by at least \$1.2 trillion through 2014.

Bush and Kerry each assert they would cut the annual deficit in half within five years.

Kerry favors budget restrictions that go further than Bush. like requiring savings to pay for tax cuts, and has said he would

orities if deficits worsen That won praise from the investment bank Goldman. Sachs & Co., which wrote in a newslet-

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month, "On the budget, Senator Kerry is more credible" than Rush

Even so, each candidate's deficit-reduction plan has been overshadowed by promises to cut taxes or boost spending.

'Voters like tax cuts, spending increases and deficit reduction. All three are incompatible, but vague promises make it look achievable," said Brian Riedl, budget analyst with the conservative Heritage Foundation, "Neither party has offered a detailed or realistic plan."

Kerry finds money for his proposals by starting with the assumption that the Bush tax cuts for all taxpavers will remain in effect permanently. They are scheduled to expire by 2010, though many lawmakers and analysts believe they will be re-

Kerry's assumption lets him claim \$860 billion in 10-year sayings by repealing the tax cuts for families earning more than \$200,000 annually. It also lets him claim no cost for another of his top initiatives: extending the tax reductions for those making

less than \$200,000. Kerry's health care package is the keystone of his eco-

nomic plan,

seph Antos, a health policy expert at the conservative American Enterprise Institute, estimates its true 10-year cost at \$1.5 trillion. which the Kerry campaign de-

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Bush would steer the budget on a different course. At his party's national convention this month, he proposed doubling job-training funds and expanding health care tax breaks, a package his campaign prices at \$74 billion over 10 years. He also touted his desire to let workers use some of their Social Security taxes to create personal savings accounts. without offering specifics.

Peter Orszag, an economist at the liberal Brookings Institution, said he believes such a plan could cost about \$2 trillion over 10 years, including adjustments for inflation.





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Candidates' economic plans by the numbers

Highlights of the economic plans of President Bush and Democratic presidential candi-

date John Kerry. All figures are totals for the 10 years ending in 2014 unless otherwise indicated

■ Kerry initiatives: Health care, \$653 billion; education, \$207 billion; 5 percent corporate tax cut, \$120 billion; veterans and military families, \$55 bil-lion; temporary jobs stimulus, \$47 billion; energy and environment, \$35 billion

■ Kerry savings: Repeal Bush tax cuts on people earning more than \$200,000 annually, \$860 billion; create a commission to recommend ways to reduce federal payments to corporations and enact those proposals, \$300 billion; better disease manage ment by companies and other health savings, \$300 billion; close loopholes on taxes owed by companies overseas, \$120 billion: cut 100,000 federal contractors, \$50 billion; cut federal elec tric bill by 20 percent, \$14 bil-

■ Bush initiatives: Tax cuts and spending increases for health care, economic develop-ment, education and jobs, \$74 hillion: extension of tay cuts enacted in 2001 and 2003, which otherwise expire by 2010, \$979 billion: other tax cuts for education, charitable giving, other items: \$199 billion.

Other Bush initiatives: Defense and domestic security, \$185 billion.

■ Bush savings: All other domestic programs, excluding au-tomatic benefits like Social Security, \$115 billion; Medicaid and other benefit programs, \$33 bil-

D.C. sniper suspect Malvo to plead guilty

BY MATTHEW BARAKAT

McLEAN, Va. — Teenage sniper Lee Boyd Malvo will admit guilt to a second of 10 killings in October 2002, and drop all appeals of his first conviction, his lawyer

A plea hearing is scheduled for Oct. 26 in Spotsylvania County Circuit Court, where Malvo is charged with capital murder in the Oct. 11, 2002, killing of Kenneth Bridges.

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Malvo will plead guilty and ac-

cept a sentence of life in prison, defense attorney Michael Arif said Friday. The plea bargain would eliminate the possibility of a death sentence in that case.

The teen will also drop all appeals of his conviction last year for the murder of FBI analyst Linda Franklin. The jury in that case sentenced him to life in prison, sparing him the death penalty.

Malvo, now 19 but 17 at the time of the killings, is ready to accept a lifetime in prison, his lawyer said.

"He gave us instructions to get this done as quickly as possible,"

Arif said. "He knows he's not going anywhere."

where."
For a brief period, Arif said, Malvo held on to a "fantasy" hope that if he could talk to his partner in the sniper spree, John

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Allen Muhammad, he could persuade Muhammad to tell the truth about the killings and minimize Malvo's respon-

sibility so Malvo could seek a re duced sentence.

But Arif said Malvo now realizes that will not happen.

Malvo, who initially told police he was the triggerman in nearly all of the killings, recanted and claimed Muhammad was the triggerman in all but one.

His lawyers said Malvo had been brainwashed by Muhammad and Muhammad was the driving force behind the sniper spree.

But Malvo still runs the risk of the death penalty in other cases. Prince William County prosecutor Paul Ebert, who obtained a death sentence for Muhammad, has said he will pursue the death penalty against Malvo if the Supreme Court rules this fall that the execution of those who commit murder at age 16 or 17 is conmit murder at age 16 or 17 is con-

stitutional.

Malvo also could face a death penalty in Alabama and Louisiana, where he faces murder charges for killings that took place in the months preceding the October 2002 sniper spree in the metropolitan Washington, D.C.

area that left 10 people dead.

Survivor: Plane was in flames before stopping

BY SARAH R. CRAIG The Associated Press

KALISPELL, Mont. — The single-engine plane that crashed into a Montana mountain, killing three people, was in flames before it came to rest, one of the two survivors told authorities.

"Even before they stopped, there was fire in the aircraft," Flathead County Sheriff Jim Dupont said Jodee Hogg told him. "She recalls tremendous pressure, heat and then a flash."

Authorities initially said Monday's crash killed all five aboard. But Hogg, 23, and Matthew Ramige, 29, emerged from the wilderness on a highway Wednesday, a day after authorities had announced their deaths.

Ramige is in serious condition at a Seattle hospital for a broken spine and severe burns. Hogg was being treated for burns and bruises at a Kalispell hospital, but her condition wasn't released.

Hogg had been sitting by the door of the plane and got out after the crash, Dupont said.

"She turns around, reaches for

Matt and his foot was caught. She was pulling on him and got him out," Dupont recounted. "The fire was roaring at this

Hogg also told Dupont that another passenger, Davita Bryant, had "blood in her hair and on her face and she wasn't moving."

The crash occurred near the southern edge of Glacier National Park

The workers intended to conduct an annual vegetation inventory and repair telecommunication facilities, but crashed in stormy weather about 15 minutes into the flight.

Jim Long, 60, was piloting the plane. Also on board were Ken Good, 58, an employee of the Flathead National Forest and Bryant, 32, another Forest Service employee.

The wreckage shows no signs of engine or other mechanical failure, said Georgia Strubisaker, a National Transportation Safety Board investigator. She said a preliminary report on the crash should be out by the middle of next week, but that it may be nine months before the NTSB announces a probable cause.



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'Terrible-headed lizard from the Orient' found

Fossil discovery reveals deadly underwater dinosaur

BY RANDOLPH E. SCHMID

WASHINGTON — A newly discovered fossil may be the remains of one of the first stealth hunters, a swimming dinosaur that could use its long neck to sneak up on prey and strike without warning.

Once a resident of a shallow sea in what is now southeast China, the newly found reptile with fangs would have hunted in murky waters, its small head extending far from the bulky body that fish would have recognized as a predator.

"The long neck would allow it to approach prey without the whole body becoming visible," said Olivier Rieppel of the Field Museum in Chicago, a co-author of the report.

The new fossil was discovered by Chun Li of the Chinese Academy of Sciences in 2002. The creature is described by Li and colleagues in this week's issue of the Journal of Science.

Li named the new dinosaur, which lived about 230 million years ago, Dinocephalosaurus orientalis, meaning terrible-headed lizard from the Orient.

With a body about 3 feet long and a neck adding 51/2 feet, the newly named creature is related to Tanystropheus, another long-necked reptile that lived in the area of Europe and the Middle East.

But the researchers said the new dinosaur had 25 neck vertebrae, more than twice that of Tanystropheus, and in Dinocephalosaurus they were not as elongated. It had riblike bones parallel to the verte-

They are both members of a diverse reptile group called the protorosaurs, which have long necks and elongated neck vertebrae.

For years, scientists have wondered at the purpose for the long necks in this group of animals "This is important research because we have finally explained the functional purpose of this strange, long neck," said Rieppel, head of geology and curator of fossil amphibians and reptiles at the Field Mu-

As Dinocephalosaurus approached in murky water, its prey would have been aware only of the relatively small head, not the full-size profile of a predator



An artist's rendering shows Dinocephalosaurus orientalis, a long-necked sea reptile that probably preyed on fish and squid in a illow sea in present-day southeast China more than 230 million years ago. The creature's relatively stiff neck, approximately 51/2 feet, was almost twice as long as its body.

Study finds dogs have ability to smell cancer

BY EMMA ROSS The Associated Press

LONDON - We have always suspected that man's best friend has a special ability to sense when something is wrong with us, but the first experiment to verify that scientifically has demonstrated

that dogs are able to smell cancer. Experts say it is unlikely that pooches will become practical partners in cancer detection any time soon, but that the results of the study by English scientists are

promising. They showed that when urine from bladder cancer patients was out among samples from healthy people or those with other diseases, the dogs — ordinary pets — were able to identify the cancer urine almost three times more often than would be expected by chance alone.

The issue is not whether or not they can detect cancer, because clearly they can. The issue is whether you can set up a system whereby they can communicate with you. That requires further in-genuity," said Tim Cole, a profes-sor of medical statistics at Imperial College in London, who was not connected with the research but is the owner of a chocolate labrador

David Neal, a bladder and pros tate cancer surgeon at Cambridge University in England, said it's plausible that dogs might be able to pick up the scent of cancer because people with the disease shed unique abnormal proteins in their urine

It is thought that a dog's sense of smell is generally 10,000 to 100,000 times better than a hu-

The idea that they may be able to smell cancer was first put for-ward in 1989 by two London dermatologists, who described the case of a woman asking for a mole to be cut out of her leg because her dog would constantly sniff at it, even through her trousers, but ignore all her other moles.

Dogs detect scent of cancer A study shows dogs can be

trained to distinguish patients with bladder cancer by smelling certain compounds released in the patient's urine.

Sniffing out traces of cancer Training Dogs

were trained to discriminate between urine from patients with bladder cancer and urine from diseased and healthy people.

Testing Dogs were assessed for ability to select one urine sample from bladder cancer patient placed among six control samples.

Results Number of times dogs selected the bladder cancer urine:

On 54 attempts . . .

000000000 22 selections

Success rate Expected by chance 14%

Source: British Medical Journal

It turned out she had malignant melanoma — a deadly form of skin cancer. But it was caught early enough to save her life.

Then in 2001, another pair of English doctors reported a similar case of a man with a natch of eczema on his leg for 18 years, until one day his pet labrador started to persistently sniff the patch, again through his trousers. It turned out the man had developed skin cancer and, once the tumor was cut out, the dog showed no further interest in the eczema patch.



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'Money plays a big part in making you happy'

BY WILL LESTER The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Money may not buy happiness, but for many people it apparently puts a down payment on satisfaction.

People who make more than \$75,000 a year are far more likely than those who make \$25,000 or less to say are "very satisfied" with their lives - 56 percent of the higher-income group compared with 24 percent of the

lower-income group, according Associated

Press polling. Money doesn't equal satisfaction, however. People who are married and have college degrees were more likely to be "very satis-fied" than others who had equal incomes, the polling found

"Money is not everything, but it allows you to do things many people can't always said Bob Russell, a 53-year-old businessman from Hockessin, Del. "We've been very fortunate as far as accumulating money.'

He and his wife, who recently retired from her job at a bank, can pick the preferred schools for their children, hire professionals to provide services and get out of town whenever they want.

Despite uncertainty about the economy and fears of terrorism. Poll: Many say cash can increase satisfaction in life family is the main factor for being very satisfied

about eight in 10 people said they are at least somewhat satisfied with their lives and four in 10 said they are very satisfied, according to polling done for the AP by Ipsos-Public Affairs

Whites were more likely than non-whites to say they are very satisfied, while Republicans were more inclined than Democrats to feel that way.

Public opinion specialist Robert Blendon, a professor at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government. said people with moderate comes have seen their satisfaction decrease in recent years because of the stress of worrying about paying things like

health care and Carly Sheffer, a 24-year-old store manager from Albuquerque, N.M., just started her freshman year in college after a five-year break. She said a college degree gives her a better opportunity to earn more money.

"Money plays a big part in mak-ing you happy," said the mother of two young children.

For 56-year-old Pat Pacak of Grove City, Ohio, carefully managing money is a big factor in her satisfaction

"We save our money. We don't have credit card bills," she said. But some people say they're satisfied just to have enough to live

"Some people seem to think the world owes them something," said Jean Kelley, a 63-year old retiree from Ozark, Ala. felt that way.'

One of her five grown children has Down syndrome and still lives with Kellev and her husband of 47 years, a retired mili-

But she doesn't view that as a hardship.

"We feel like we're truly she said. "With my other children, when I thought about them leaving home. I'd almost throw up. The good Lord sent me one that will stay with

For retiree Clifford Sturtevant of Savannah, Ga., his lifelong job with a company like Coca-Cola offered financial security but his

He and his wife of 62 years raised two children "who never gave us a minute's worth of trouble." They thoroughly enjoy a relatively low key life in retirement.

"We both still get along good," said Sturtevant. "We eat out quite often. That ain't much, but it means a lot to us.'

The AP-Ipsos poll of 1,001 adults was taken Aug. 16-18 and has a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 3 percentage

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People earning under | 29% \$25,000 per year

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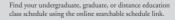
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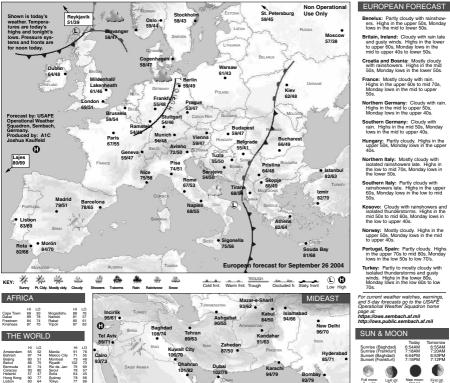






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Army's 'redheaded stepchild'

I'm a deployed reservist who has finally realized that the reserves are just the footstool of the Army.

Time and time again we are told we are on active duty so we need to act like active-duty soldiers but, by far, we do not receive the same entitlements that the active-duty or National Guard soldiers re-

One example would be that the active Army and Army National Guard are both eligible to receive promotion points for Army e-learning courses they have taken, but the Army Reserve soldiers are found not to be eligible.

I am quite aware of the old saying that the reserves are just weekend soldiers and are not real soldiers. So I guess that saying would imply much more than is really said since a reservist is good enough to be deployed for the same amount of time a regular Army or National Guardsman is, but not good enough to receive the same benefits when it comes to wanting to further his or her career.

As for reservists who are deployed and wish to be promoted, but don't have the needed points, it would seem we don't fall in the area of highest importance to the Army

So, to all of my fellow reservists, I say, stay the course, brothers and sisters, but don't expect much being the redheaded stepchild of the Army.

> Sgt. Angelo Hill Camp Virginia, Kuwait

Graveyard article biased

I found the article "Chaplain finds mission in restoring cemetery" (Sept. 15) by Stripes reporter Seth Robson biased and inaccurate.

The article describes how the English, in 1941, heroically battled Iraqi insurgents who at the time were Nazi symnathizers.

The author portrays the Iraqis as the aggressors who killed more than 289 British servicemen and fellow Iraqi Christians. The author explains how their graveyard, which contained 289 bodies,

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Before World War II began, Iraq declared its neutrality. In 1941, London intervened militarily to overthrow the nationalist government of Rashid Ali Gilani, Iraqi's self-established government. They did this so that the Germans didn't gain a footbold in the Middle East

The overall mission was to defeat the Nazis, but this happened at the cost of the Iraqi elected government and the undermining of democracy in the region, also planting the Iraqi hatred of the West.

The statement about the battle for Camp Habbaniyah, and how, if the English had lost, the battle would have changed the tilt of the war in favor of the Nazis is partially false. The English, being a colonial power, had already established routes of resupplying the Russians other than through Iraq; and for Iraq's oil, the English already had the largest oil refinery (Anglo Saxon Oil Co., APOC) in Iran. English ships had easy access to Russia through both water and land.

Iraq is an isolated place when it comes to British citizens traveling and living there, so it would have been unreasonable for the English government to maintain the graveyard. The restoration of the church, which sits near the graveyard, is

appropriate and welcome, but the bad portrayal of the Iraqis is wrong. During WWII, what care did we give toward dead Nazi soldiers?

Pvt. 1st Class Seifian Sawber Logistical Support Area Anaconda, Iraq

USAREUR should nix Peters

I just looked at the article "Germany pulls out of military expo over retired Army officer's column" (Sept. 23).

It is very sad that the Land Combat Exno. which is an excellent show, is used as a political platform.

U.S. Army Europe should cancel Ralph Peters' presentation. It is obvious that Peters does not know all the facts, and he is actually not interested in "presenting the whole picture."

If the German-American friendship is not that big, why have German soldiers been guarding U.S. installations since the very first moment troops were pulled out of Germany to go to Southwest Asia?

Raymond Zawalski Mannheim Germany

Give Dan a break

Give Dan Rather a break regarding the story on President Bush's service, which is questionable at best.

The president led the country to a war in which far too many of our sons, daughters and loved ones have died. So if the president loses a vote or two based on inaccurate information reported by Rather, it still doesn't equate to the irreparable damage caused by the president's information.

As a human being, I understand mistakes happen, but I cannot grasp why the president gets to pass the buck while poor Dan gets forced into retirement. That's about as unfair as Al Gore getting duped out of an election or soldiers who get their career ended for war trophies while the commander in chief gets to flaunt them

Either slam every offender or give all a second chance, but don't use position or rank to hide the truth.

> DeAndre Wade Camp Arifjan, Kuwait



















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OPINION

What newspapers are saying at home

The following editorial excerpts are se-lected from a cross section of newspapers throughout the United States. The editori als are provided by The Associated Press and other stateside syndicates

Too quiet after Columbine The Denver Post

From the beginning, the Columbine murders have posed many unanswered ques-tions. A new state grand jury report on the mysterious disappearance of files about teen killer Eric Harris provides a bit of new information, but mysteries remain.

The grand jury's report, released Sept. 16, couldn't answer how the documents disappeared and who was responsible.

But the report reinforces suspicions that

after the April 20, 1999, Columbine High School killings, Jefferson County Sheriff John Stone's office tried to hush up an earli-er investigation of Harris to avoid any criticism or liability if there were indications that it missed a chance to avert the tragedy. in which 12 students and a teacher died. .

The grand jury said some things about the missing documents were "troubling," but there wasn't sufficient evidence to in dict anyone for a crime. .

So, the grand jury probe of the Guerra af-fidavit could offer no concrete proof about who's responsible for the disappearance of the records.

And another Columbine question goes unanswered, leaving the families of vic-tims and the public with only a morsel of new information and the same old gnawing suspicions

Annan's words went too far Chicago Tribune

Diplomats are renowned for carefully choosing their words so as not to leave the wrong impression or unnecessarily ruffle

That's particularly true at the United Nations, where diplomats from all over the world practice the gossamer art of persua-

world practice the glossamer art of persua-sion and manipulation through the muffled language of diplomacy. But U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan abandoned the pretense of diplomacy [earlier this month] by firing off a very undiplomatic word to describe the Bush adminis-tration's decision to free Iraq: "illegal." Goaded by a [British Broadcasting Corp.] interviewer, Annan said of the war: "From our point of view, from the U.N. charter point of view, it was illegal."

Undoubtedly, legal scholars could get lathered up about what the UN charter says and how exactly to define the term "illegal." But that's not really the point here Illegal is a loaded word. It implies criminal-

ity. ...
Had the United States not acted in Iraq, the U.N.'s threat of "serious consequenc-es" if Saddam Hussein didn't disarm ould have amounted to what almost all U.N. threats amount to - nothing

10 days late and a dollar short Delaware County (Pa.) **Daily Times**

So [on Sept. 20], 12 days after CBS News broadcast a report that claimed the presi-dent of the United States had shirked his duty in the Texas Air National Guard 35 years ago and offered up the documents that supposedly proved it, the network admitted it could no longer vouch for their authenticity.

CBS anchor Dan Rather, after spending almost two weeks defending the report that aired on "60 Minutes II," has now issued a statement that he "no longer has confidence in these documents" and that "if I knew then what I know now — I would not have gone ahead with the story as it was aired

Yes, well, Dan Rather is about 10 days too late in owning up to what is the latest in a series of black eyes for the journalism profession.



In the aftermath of Charley, Frances and

documents was challenged within hours of the original broadcast and with good reason, the responsible thing for CBS to do was to announce that it was reviewing the story and the authenticity of the papers. . . Why the newsgatherers at CBS responsi

ble for this story acted in such a rash and self-destructive way is best left to another investigation. But they have certainly given plenty of ammunition to conservative critics who claim that they let their "liberal bias" and desire to air a story injurious to a Republican president during an election year cloud their judgment.

Considering that the authenticity of the

When lock owners unloaded San Francisco Chronicle

Kryptonite may be able to fell the man of steel, but apparently it's no mightier than a pen when it comes to protecting bicycles.

A San Francisco bicyclist touched off a national furor recently when he an-nounced that a few versions of the famed U-shaped Kryptonite locks could be picked by using a simple pen. He came upon his discovery after his very expensive bike was stolen and a friend mentioned that the tubular cylinders in some of the bike locks could be opened with the flick (and a few turns) of a cheap Bic

His Internet warning has been visited by more than 300,000 concerned cyclists from here to Metropolis, who are spinning over the news. The Massachusetts bike-lock-maker has been in full damage control mode [for more than a] week; it [recently] announced free upgrades and rebates to customers (depending on when they purchased the affected devices) and a recall of seven versions of the lock. It's probably only a matter of time before lawyers start passing around their business cards at local bike shops.

Kryptonite goes by the slogan "tough world, tough lock." At least it's right about the first point. And the tough guys are pack-

No whitewash special session The Daytona Beach (Fla.) News-Journal

Never before has Florida faced three killer hurricanes in a month's time. With luck, it will never happen again.
But Florida's leaders can't rely on luck

Ivan, the state has an opportunity to examine hurricane preparedness

Plans are being made for a special legislative session — probably in December — to deal with hurricane issues. The one most often mentioned: The deductible dou-ble-whammy that had many homeowners paying far more than they expected in out-of-nocket expenses before their property insurance kicked in — and, in some

ases, paying it twice. ... Florida has some experience with hasticalled legislative sessions in which legislators operate with one eve on the clock and the other on the gas pedal. More frequently than not, sessions of this sort end up with the lobbyists running the show. If a sion is inevitable, it's up to Gov. Jeb Bush and legislative leaders to make sure the people, not the lobbyists, get priority deration. .. A focused agenda would keep a special

session on track. The timing and logistics will be tight, especially with elections loom-ing. But if this year's storm season has taught Floridians anything, it's the value of being prepared — and of putting the common good before selfish interests.

Senator perverted valid policy The Birmingham (Ala.) News

Maybe there are good reasons to oppose a bill that would provide more than \$1.2 billion to clear up backlogs in DNA testing, pump more money into crime labs and help states cover the expenses of DNA tests for people who may have been wrong-ly convicted of crimes.

But U.S. Sen. Jeff Sessions' reasons aren't among them. Sessions, R-Ala., didn't argue, for instance, that the federal govern-ment is awash in red ink, the United States is enmeshed in a war and the nation can't afford to spend more money for DNA test

That might be defensible, those of us not sitting in a cell for a crime we didn't commit. But no. Sessions' objections have nothing to do with fiscal responsibility. Instead, he takes the lowest of roads in a misguided bid to show how tough on crime he is. Namely, Sessions ob-jects to the bill because it's a federal government giveaway to "anti-death penalty groups for the defense of murderers and terrorists.

That sure sounds bad. Who wants to think about our tax dollars going to defend

murderers and terrorists? Except this is one area where we can get real results from our tax dollars. In cases where DNA is an issue, testing the evidence can convict the guilty or exonerate the innocent.

DNA testing has cleared 151 people across the country who were falsely accused and wrongly convicted of crimes. Two of them were in Alahama Some elsewhere were on Death Row.

This should trouble anyone — even a former prosecutor such as Sessions — who wants to believe our justice system is fair and foolproof. ... Whether DNA evidence proves someone guilty or proves him innocent, it can advance the cause of justice betthan just about anything we've got going. Sessions ought to be eager to make that

happen. Instead, he's standing in the way.

Honesty on Iraq isn't defeatist Times Union, Albany, N.Y. President Bush has to start taking his

own administration's intelligence reports more seriously. And so does the rest of the country — all those who favored invading Iraq last year and all those who opposed it. What we get from the White House, how-

ever, is more like a sound bite sort of de-fense of a war that by any fair assessment is going badly. ...
Mr. Bush himself promised the U.N. Gen-

eral Assembly on Tuesday that freedom is coming to Iraq, even if securing it will an more terrorist attacks there In other words, the Bush administration

oesn't accept a nonpartisan and presumably informed examination of where the war is heading. A sensible and worthwhile debate about

Iraq would focus on providing the necestroop strength to bring order to the Iraqi cities where the instability predicted by intelligence experts is visible on daily display, and where the possibility of civil war doesn't seem all that far-fetched. The same debate, of course, would have to include an honest discussion of the likely casualty toll of wresting control of places like Fallujah, Ramadi and Najaf. ...

The point of all of it should be to determine just what the endgame is, or should

Rut that means a debate that involves more than a reiteration of how successful a war that's cost more than 1,000 American lives has really been. A debate under those restrictions is a one-sided affair, with no value to speak of. PAGE 22 · STARS AND S

Six-figure penny

ME AUBURN — A trove of old coins, including a 1700s penny that's nearly the size of a half dolar and if authentic could be worth a fortune, have surfaced in a jewelry and coin shop.

The 1793 cent coin is known by the "strawberry leaf" name because of a trefoil sprig on its tail side. "It's like the Holy Grail of coins," said said Dan Cunliffe Sr. of Republic Jewelry and Collectibles.

Cunliffe said the coins are to be auctioned off shortly after Thanksgiving by American Numismatic Rarities of Wolfeboro, N.H. The auction will be part of the Baltimore Coin Convention.

"I expect [the strawberry leaf cent] will draw bids of six figures," Cunlife said.

WWII bullet still in knee

MO LEADINGTON — Ralph Heine figured his knee was shot. At age 86, he thought his balky joint was just a sign of old age.

Turns out he was carrying a souvenir from World War II for nearly six decades: a bullet to the knee.

During a recent medical exam of a problematic hip and knee, X-rays revealed a bullet that had eluded detection since Heine was shot by Nazi troops in early 1945.

Heine was serving with the 42nd Rainbow Division in the Alsace region of France. He recalled his story during a weekend event in the eastern Missouri town Leadington to honor prisoners of war and those missing in action.

"I got shot in the shoulder, and when I went down they shot me again in the leg. I thought that bullet only grazed me," he said.

"I didn't think it went in."

205 mph speeding ticket

WABASHA — A motorcyclist racing at an estimated 205 mph may have won — the record for speeding in Minnesota. State Patrol pilot Al Loney was flying near Wabasha, in southeastern Minnesota on the Wisconsin state line, watching two motorcyclists racing along U.S. Highway 61 on Saturday.

One of the riders shot forward, and Loney clicked his stopwatch once when the motorcycle reached a white marker on the road and again a quarter-mile later. The watch read 4.39 seconds, which Loney calculated to be 205 mph.

"I was in total disbelief," Loney said. "I had to double-check my watch because in 27 years I'd never seen anything move that fast."

A second State Patrol officer arrested 20-year-old Samuel Armstrong Tilley for reckless driving, driving without a motorcycle license and driving 140 miles per hour over the posted speed limit of 65 mph.

Year in jail for 'crack'

MILFORD — A man who mooned the judge will be spending an extra year in his prison jumpsuit.

Three months after dropping his pants in front of Superior Court posed \$50 million biotechnology and
life-sciences center
at the University of
Rhode Island. They believe the proposed center
would make the state more
companies that specialize
in biotechnology. Voters in
November will be asked to approve borrowing for the
project.

AMERICAN ROUNDUP

Judge Patrick Carroll, Richard Brown was back in court Monday for a plea agreement on a robbery.

Brown's June 23 pants dropping cost him a year in prison. He got six months for contempt of court and an extra six months that the prosecutor added to the sentence

offered in a plea deal for robbery. Brown's bottomless outburst began when Carroll told him to say "yes, sir" when addressing the court

"Sir? Kiss my [expletive], sir!" Brown shouted, dropping the pants of his two-piece prison jumpsuit as he turned to expose his rear end to the bench.

Enrollment rising

HARTFORD — The number of flul-lime students enrolled in state community colleges grew by nearly 10 percent this year, the third increase in as many years. Educators say students are proved transfer agreements with four-year colleges. The 12-campus system has enrolled nearly 16,000 full-time students and nearly 30,000 part-time students.

Biotech campaign

PROVIDENCE — Business leaders are raising money for a campaign in support of a pro-



Beyond the yard Sarah Kelley, 10, decorates a flamingo for an art fair at Park University in Parkville, Mo. The theme this year is Return of the Pink Flamingos.

Warmer September

DES MOINES — September will apparently be warmer than August in lowa this year. Weather experts says that year was the same than the same than

Low-income housing hike

SD SIOUX FALLS — Rising lumber and metal costs have prompted state housing officials to increase the price of a Governor's House for those who qualify for the low-income housing program.

Beginning Oct. 18, residents will pay \$30,800, up from \$28,000, for the 960-square-foot homes, built by prison inmates at Mike Durfee State Prison in Springfield.

GOP fund flap

OR SALEM—Oregon Republican chairman Kevin Mannix received thousands of dollars from the state GOP to retire some of the debt from his failed run for governor in 2002.

Mannix, who received \$37,000,

Mannix, who received x53/,000, defended the payment. He told The Oregonian newspaper it's part of a new program to help Republican candidates who end up with campaign debt.

Pole dancing in dorm

FL JACKSONVILLE — Three students at Jacksonville University have been punished for installing a stripper pole in an on-campus apartment and taking pictures as clothed female students performed on it at a party.

About a dozen women competed for a \$100 Victoria's Secret gift certificate Sept. 11, said James Foster, a 20-year-old who hosted the party. None of the women disrobed

The men bought the steel pole, bolted it to the concrete ceiling and attached the bottom to a plywood stage covered in red felt.

"Honestly, we just wanted to say we had a stripper pole," Foster said. "We never actually expected girls to dance on it."

When university officials ordered the men to remove the pole, they complied, but not before building a huge party around it.

Signs reading "Pole Dancers Wanted" were posted around campus and the men bought large quantities of beer. Friends were enlisted friends to check identifications and manage security. They charged \$\$ for men, and women were let in free.

The party ended shortly after the beer ran out.



Lighthouse man Cars driving along Shawnee Mission Parkway in Fairway, Kan., will have a guiding light when stump sculptor Floyd Tinsley of Merriam, Kan., finishes the lighthouse sculpture he was carving out of the stump of an oak.



Wicked drive-by

A wicked witch makes her presence known, sitting on a car outside The

Yellow Brick Road Gift Shop in Chesterton. Ind.



Enjoying the view

A group of egrets perch on a branch in a retention pond along Gladiola Avenue in Holly Hill, Fla.



Just hanging on

Jordan Leshore, 14, from Elbing Kan., tries to hang on as he loses his ce on the rope ladder at the Kansas State Fair in Hutchinson, Kan.



Taking a stroll A white horse provides contrast to a tree turning with autumn colors near Fort Clark in Mercer County, N.D.



The Patchmaster

Remy Schulz, 10 months, makes a gallant effort to move a pumpkin that is much larger than him at Hoxsie's Orchard Farm in Williamsburg, Mich.

Town money missing

NH ACWORTH — At first. town government officials found about \$6,800 missing from the clerk's office.

Now it's more like \$224 550

Last week, Acworth selectmen wrote to the town government's insurance company, the Local Government Center Property-Liability Trust of Concord, filing a claim for reimbursement of the stolen money

"The information provided to us indicates a trend of missing funds going back to 1986," selectmen wrote in their insurance claim. "The town clerk was first elected in 1977 and it is likely that the theft started out with smaller amounts prior to 1987

Brenda G. Longley, the town clerk for 27 years and the only employee in the clerk's office, resigned Aug. 16 after a discussion with Mason and Rich, an accounting firm in Concord. In her resignation letter, Longley said, "I really have no idea what happened.

Smoking crackdown

CA SAN FRANCISCO — A new law proposed this week would snuff out smoking in one of the last places in San Francisco where people can light up the great outdoors

The law would ban "inhaling, exhaling, burning or carrying any lighted smoking equipment for to-bacco or any other weed or plant" in all outdoor recreation areas regulated by the city, including parks. gardens, piers and playing fields. Violators would be slapped with a \$250 fine - though it's not clear who would enforce the law.

"It's just disgusting - our parks are covered with cigarette butts," Supervisor Michela Alioto-Pier told her colleagues in introducing the legislation at their weekly meet

Shark caught in river

LA SIMMESPORT — Call it the catch of the day — or a

Seafood merchant Richard Durrett was fishing Tuesday morning on the Red River near his busi ness, Simmesport Fish Co., when his catfish net dredged up a 6-foot. 135-pound bull shark.

"I've been fishing since I was 10 vears old, and I've caught some strange fish, but nothing like this, the 35-year-old said Wednesday. "Things happen, but I wasn't ready for this

Finding a shark in the Red River is unusual, Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries biologist Ricky Moses said Wednesday, but it has happened before. Moses, who specializes in inland and freshwater fish, said the LWF office in Opelousas has been asked to examine the shark. Bull sharks have been known to swim into fresh water areas, he said.

Durrett said he has caught much smaller sharks - about 30 pounds and 2 inches long - in the past near the Morgan City area.

Popular drive-in closes

CA SALINAS — Business was so good at Roy's Drive-in that the landmark eatery ran out of food before it was time to shut

down its griddles for good.

The crowd Tuesday night came for a last slice of nostalgia as the popular gathering spot for classic car enthusiasts served its final hamburgers after 50 years.

"It's really sad," said customer Georgia Sapiens, who waited near-ly two hours for burger and fries. It's sad that it came to this. Everybody is going to miss it."

Roger Patterson, who's worked at Roy's since 1964 and owned it since 1977, said he decided to close because he couldn't afford to fight a lawsuit by a disabled man who claims the drive-in does not provide adequate access for customers in wheelchairs.

Criminals change minds

WI SOUTH MILWAUKEE -A 3-year-old girl may have saved lives when she and her father walked into a jewelry store while an armed robbery was in progress.

"I think it's a good thing and a bad thing she came in," store em-ployee Beth Barkow said. "You don't want a little girl to experience this, but if she hadn't come in, I don't know if we'd be alive."

Barkow was one of six people tied up in the back of the store during the Sept. 3 attempted heist by two robbers and an accomplice who acted as lookout.

Barkow said she was in a back room when the robbery began. She and two other employees were forced to lie on their stomachs. their hands bound with duct tape. Customers who entered the store were taken to the back room and tied up.

The robbers, meanwhile, went through cases of jewelry and threatened to shoot their captives. After about half an hour, the girl

and her father came in The man was tied up while the girl sat beside her father. The father said he was bound for

about a minute before one robber said, "Come on, man. Not any kids. We can't do this

The suspects fled, and still were being sought.

'Redskins' ruling

CA SACRAMENTO — Citing a desire to maintain local control. Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger has vetoed legislation that would have banned public schools from using "Redskins" as a team or mascot name.

In his veto message, the governor said local school boards should retain "general control over all aspects of their interscholastic poli-cies," including team names and mascots

"Adding another nonacademic state administrative requirement for schools to comply with takes more focus away from getting kids to learn at the highest level," Schwarzenegger said.

The measure's author, Assemblywoman Jackie Goldberg, said she was disappointed with the govcalled his veto message "silly." "If local control is what you

count on to decide civil rights issues, we'd still have slavery in America," the former school board member and teacher said in an interview.

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18:00	The Crocodile Hunter "Casper: The White Crocodile"	ner, Leonard Nimoy.	Fox NFL Sunday (Live)	NFL Today (Live)	Late Edition Primetime		My Wife and Kids	NFL Today (Live)
18:30 19:00	America's Funniest Home	Movie *** "The Family	NFL Football Regional Cover-	NFL Football Regional Cover-		NASCAD Paging Noviol Cup	The Bernie Mac Show Hope & Faith	NFL Football Regional Cover-
19:00	Videos	Man" (2000, Comedy-Drama)	age Arizona at Atlanta,	age Baltimore at Cincinnati,		NASCAR Racing Nextel Cup Series MBNA America 400.	The King of Queens	age Baltimore at Cincinnati,
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21:00	American Dreams "And Promises to Keep"				FOX News		Navy NCIS "Hung Out to Dry"	1
21:30	The Cosby Show	Movie ★★% "The Simple Life of Noah Dearborn" (1999)	NFL Football Regional Cover-	NFL Football San Diego	CNN Sunday	4	Friends	NFL Football San Diego
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2:30	Videos	Coming Attractions	ics at Anaheim Angels. From Angel Stadium of Anaheim in	Rugrats Dr. Phil		NFL Football Tampa Bay Buc- caneers at Oakland Raiders.		Wheel of Fortune
3:00	Gilmore Girls "Chicken or Reef?"	Movie *** "The Family Man" (2000, Comedy-Drama)	Anaheim, Calif. (Live)	Dr. Phil	Dateline International	From the Network Associates	Navy NCIS "Hung Out to Dry"	Dr. Phil
4:00	American Dreams "And	Nicolas Cage, Tea Leoni. A		Oprah Winfrey	60 Minutes	Coliseum in Oakland, Calif. (Live)	Friends	Oprah Winfrey
4:30	Promises to Keep"	man gets a glimpse of the life that could have been his.		, ,		(Live)	Seinfeld "The Lip Reader"	1
5:00	Sesame Street (EI)		Meet the Press	Headline News	CNN Presents		Breathingspace Yoga	Headline News
5:30	Barney & Friends (EI)	Movie ★★% "The Simple Life of Noah Dearborn" (1999)	Headline News	Judge Judy Access Hollywood	Larry King Live	SportsCenter	Caribbean Workout Body Shaping	Judge Judy Access Hollywood
6:00	Blue's Clues	Sidney Poitier, Dianne Wiest.	ESPNews	Guiding Light	Larry King Live		TIPical Mary Ellen	Guiding Light
7:00	Dragon Tales (EI)	True Hollywood Story	Sesame Street (EI)	General Hospital	CNN Sunday Night	NFL Primetime	The View	General Hospital
7:30	Bob the Builder Tennis court.	1,,						
8:00	The Wiggles "Dressing Up"	Hollywood Backstories		Dateline NBC	Next at CNN	SportsCenter	Emeril Live	Recess (EI)
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10:00	Arthur (EI)	Tori Spelling, Ivan Sergei.	Oprah Winfrey	Jeopardy!	Bulls and Bears	Be Announced.	Designers' Challenge	Jeopardy!
10:30	Between the Lions (EI)	Movie ** * "Ghost" (1990,	Guiding Light	Wheel of Fortune	Cavuto on Business	1	Fashion Emergency	Headline News
11:00	Sagwa-Siamese Cat	Fantasy) Patrick Swayze, Demi Moore, Whoopi Goldberg. A		ESPNews	Dateline NBC	SportsCenter	The Soup	ESPNews
11:30	Stanley Stanley loses a race. Dora the Explorer	murder victim returns to save	General Hospital Headline News	Advisory Block 60 Minutes	Next at CNN	SportsCenter	The King of Queens That '70s Show "The Pill"	Pacific Report 60 Minutes
12:00	The Wiggles "Funny Greg"	his beloved fiancee.	Judge Judy		THE RESERVE OF THE PERSON OF T	1	Girlfriends	
13:00	Bob the Builder	Movie ★★★% "Little Women"	Today Will Smith: Howard	Cold Case "Late Returns"	Good Morning America	Tennis Davis Cup Semifinal	Charmed "How to Make a Quilt	Cold Case "Late Returns"
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14:00	Blue's Clues	life during the Civil War.	processo.	24 Jack engages in a bidding war for the billion-dollar virus.	1	Charleston, S.C. (Taped)	Ally McBeal "Theme of Life"	24 Jack engages in a bidding war for the billion-dollar virus.
14:30 15:00	Barney & Friends (EI) Funniest Home Videos		Recess (EI)	Pacific Report	Headline News	PGA Golf	Any Day Now "Trust Me"	Pacific Report
15:00	Full House	Movie ** "Us" (1991) Michael Landon, Casey Peter-	ChalkZone (EI)	The Tonight Show	Channel One	1 0.00	any way now must me	The Tonight Show
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17:30	SpongeBob SquarePants	Entertainment Tonight	ESPNews	Access Hollywood Headline News	FOX News	SportsCenter	The Simpsons	Headline News
18:00	Rugrats		AFN Evening News	The Late Late Show	1		Everybody Loves Raymond	The Late Late Show
19:00	Lizzie McGuire	Movie ** * "Changing Lanes" (2002, Drama) Ben Af-	60 Minutes		Dateline NBC	L	Weddings Gone Wild	
19:30	Taina "Mega Funds"	Lanes" (2002, Drama) Ben Af- fleck. A car accident puts two		Dennis Miller		NFL Primetime		Dennis Miller
20:00	Smallville "Cool"	men on a collision course.	Cold Case "Late Returns"	Countdown With Keith Olber-	FOX News		Law & Order "American Jihad"	
20:30	Boy Meets World	Movie +++ "Crimson Tide"	24 Jack engages in a bidding	Countdown With Keith Olber- mann	Headline News	Tennis Davis Cup Semifinal Round Belarus vs. United	American Chopper 'Tool Bike	Countdown With Keith Olber- mann
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22:30	Home Improvement		The Tonight Show	Headline News	Headline News	1	Seinfeld "The Nonfat Yogurt"	Headline News
23:00	Touched by an Angel "The Driver"	Movie *** "Hot Shots!" (1991, Comedy) Charlie Sheen.		Today	Lester Holt Live	Around the Horn	Seinfeld "The Stand-In"	Today
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Off a cold is causing Wayne Newton's vocal problems, as this rep told you, he needs to see a top doctor: That

In sep total you, he needs to see a top doctor: In at "cold" is years old!—Esther Lynn, Las Vegas, Nev.

Judging by our mailbag, hundreds of readers who re-cently heard Newton agree with you. As one wrote: "Mr. Newton is still a marvel when he picks up the many instruments he can play by ear. But vocally, he needs to stop before he really embarrases himself."

Q'ive fallen like a blind roofer for Lesley Ann Machado, a hostess on the TV Guide Channel. What can you tell me about her? — Steve Nahra, Virginia Beach, Va.

The daughter of Cuban refugees, Lesley Ann, 30, grew up in New Jersey, where she studied ballet, flamenco, tap and belly dancing. She anchored Univision's Spanish-language show "Control" for five years but left because, she says, "Spanish TV was a lot about being a sex symbol, and you'd never catch me in a blikin!" On the TV Guide Channel, Lesley Ann shows viewers what's on, not off.

I saw Natalie Portman with her dog, Charlie, on "The Late Show With David Letterman." What breed is he? — Lindsay Scheckelhoff, Cary, N.C.

A Heinz 57-variety mutt. He was on the set when Nattalie, 23, shot Mike Nichols "Closer" with Jude Law and Julia Roberts, opening Dec. 3. And Star Wars fans will see Natalie in 2005 as Amidala in "Episode III – Revenge of the Sith." All that work should keep Charlie in biscuits.





Former tabloid fodder figure Russell Crowe seems to be leading a relatively tame existence as a family man. The Aussie hunk and his wife, Danielle Spencer, have a haby son.

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You used to write about Russell Crowe all the time. Why has he been absent of late? — Enid Hale, Blair, Neb.

Nee thought he'd reformed and become ... well, a bit boring. Crowe, 40, seemed dedicated to family life with wife
Danielle, 33, and baby Charles and was working on "Cindecella Man," about "30s heavyweight champ) Jim Braddock. Then recent headlines said the actor bit his own
comparisons to heavyweight champ Mike
Tyson, but the bodyguard. "Spud" Carroll, has denied the
story, adding: "He'd did take a nije at my chest."

Are any of the Andrews Sisters, known in the '40s as "America's Wartime Sweethearts," still alive and kicking? — Milton Lyon, Newport, Calif.

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A We don't know about kicking, but Patty — youngest of the Methere sisters — is still sassy at 86. "I'm going to hang around until the big-band swing revival," she tells us from her home near L.A. LaVerne died of cancer in 1967 at 51, and Maxene died of a heart attack in 1995 at 79. Patty and her manager, Wally Wesschler, have been married 53 years.

Qi have a 19-year-old son and have not seen this question directly addressed anywhere else: In your opinion, who is more likely to reintroduce the military draft, George W. Bush or John Kerry? — Mary E., Austin, Texas

Is more likely to reinforduce in military crain, George w. Bush or John Kerry? — Mary E., Austin, Texas Neither. The draft is political poison, and both candidates know that trying to revive it would be as unpopular as bringing back Prohibition.

ls that the voice of R&B legend Lou Rawls I heard as the granddad on Nick at Nite's animated sitcom "Fatherhood"? — Mark Steen, Cedar City, Utah

A yes. "Animation is great, because I just go into a studiotor record my lines," suys Rawls, who also voiced Harvey, the mailman, on Nickelodeon's "Hey Arnold!" At 70, he still performs 150 live dates a year, traveling with his new wife, Nina, 33, and Pekingese, Millie

QYour item on Minnie Driver made me wonder: Will she actually sing Carlotta's arias in the film of "Phantom of the Opera"? — Sharon Marcus, Richmond, Va.

Minimie, 34, was a vocalist before she became an actress, but her arias were dubbed by Margaret Precee, a real opera singer. In addition to the coveted Phantom role, is ell star in the film "The Virgin of Juarez." It looks like Minnie — who hasn't had a hit since "Good Will Hunting" — is noised for a comeback.



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Jorja Fox and George Eads of "CSI" now serve as an example to other would-be well-paid TV stars.

Dylan McDermott was dumped by "The Practice," and George Eads and Jorja Fox nearly lost their "CSI" jobs. What's up? — Pam B., Bridgehampton, N.Y.

An average hourlong drama now costs about \$2 million tho make, so producers have little patience with stars who demand huge salaries. Their solution: cast relative unknowns who are cheap. Dick Wolf, creator of "Law & Order," led the way to this new TV formula with programs built around an ensemble cast, not a single star.

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YOUR MONEY

Preparing estate will help family grieve

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Susie Besaw, from the book "The Savvy Sailor's Spouse," is new to the military lifestyle but is eager to learn more about how to manage her family and her new lifestyle through the monthly Family Readiness Group meetings of her husband. Jake's, new command Last week. Jake talked about life insurance.

he April Family Readiness Group meeting was packed. A representative from base legal was coming to talk about military benefits - spe-

Evelyn opened the meeting on time, as usual, and introduced our guest speaker from base legal, Cmdr. Edward Brown, The commander was a short fellow with a mustache and steely eyes. You could tell he was one of those guys you always wanted on your side of the negotiating table.

Cmdr. Brown started, "Good evening, evervone. Tonight we are going to talk about something we all try to avoid - estate planning - or the process of organizing all of your personal responsibilities, belongings and paperwork before you die - so your survivors don't have to

"Why is estate planning important?"

"To minimize the stress on our loved ones?" a lady in the front asked

"Yes," he replied. "You can't totally prepare anyone for the emotional stress from your loss, but you can do a tremendous amount to minimize the administrative stress - especially for your estate's executor. For women, the term is executrix." "What administrative stress?" Maggie

asked. "Somebody has to continue paying the bills and transfer the deceased person's belongings to

their survivors. That person is called an executor or an executrix," Cmdr. Brown explained. "What many of us don't realize is the amount of effort required by our executors to move our belongings through a process called probate, as well as the effort to do all the paperwork to claim our government benefits." "Isn't probate the administra-

tion of our estate?" the lady in the front asked "Exactly," Mr. Hardy replied, "Probate

is the government's way of making sure everything in our estate goes to where it is supposed to go according to the law. Otherwise, we have no guarantee that our last

wishes will be kept after we die

"The government says all property not transferred by contract or operation of law must be transferred by the probate pro-

"If you don't have a will, the probate process makes sure your immediate family is taken care of first. But unfortunately, some times the process takes months, and pro-

bate can be a tremendous burden to your family. You need to take the steps to be prepared for the inevitable.

"First, always have a will. It will make life much easier on your loved ones who survive you.' "What else can we do now to

help our executor?" a petty officer in the crowd asked. "Good question," Cmdr. Brown replied. "Besides having a will, you

can do several things "You can build your personal and property-record hinders These binders organize all of your

paperwork in one place for your executor. Otherwise, your executor is going to have to track down everything you own and the paperwork that goes with it. Take it from someone who had to sort through an unorganized relative's stuff after they died. It can be a real hassle."

"Can you give us an example?" I asked. "Of course," the commander replied,

"When my uncle died. I was asked to be his executor. I had to go to the county courthouse where he lived to register his will. The judge appointed me executor and I was told to compile a list of everything my

'I spent the next year trying to sort things out, paying bills, and finding family and his friends. If my uncle had made the personal property and paperwork binders I recommend you build, my executor job would have been much easier.

"My uncle may not have had binders, but he did have estate paperwork.

Next week, Cmdr. Brown talks about es-

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Companies expand services for working moms

Employers now offer its workers everything from yoga to eldercare

The top 10 companies - in

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S.C. Johnson & Son Inc.

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BY MADLEN READ The Associated Press

Returning to work after giving birth is tough. Running a half-marathon on

top of that is tougher. But Kirstie Foster did it with the help of her employer, General Mills Inc., which provides onsite childcare and health facilities at the company's Minneapolis headquarters. After dropping off her daughter at daycare every morning. Foster met with a food behaviorist, a nutritionist and a personal trainer. Six months later, she

crossed the finish line. "After

vou have a baby, you tend to focus on everything but vourself." said Foster, a corporate public relations manager and runner who has managed to add family life to the mix. "It's difficult to find the time of day to work out and plan meals." General Mills

is among a host of companies that have expanded services for working mothers bevond just maternity leave and flexible hours, according to Working Mother magazine, which released its 19th annual list Tuesday of the 100 best companies for working mothers.

The business rationale behind these efforts? Cheaper and more convenient health care and fitness programs mean employees are more likely to take advantage of them. And happier, healthier employees typically translates into boosted productivity, less absenteeism and fewer health care and disability expenses for the company years down the road, according to Working Mother Media CEO Carol Evans

It also helps mothers maintain

a better balance hetween work Thinking of moms and family life,

she said

alphabetical order - for work Foster, a General Mills maning mothers, as determined by Working Mother magazine agrees. ager. ■ Bristol-Myers Squibb ■ Discovery Communica "It's not only a savings. cost More importantly, it's a time savings," she Johnson & Johnson "When I said. ■ J.P. Morgan Chase & Co. home at ■ PricewaterhouseCoopers night, I can go ■ Prudential Financial Inc

spend time with

and daughter."

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The general trend among employers nationwide has been toward increased work flexibility options and eldercare benefits in the past few years, while childcare benefits have remained at



Kirstie Foster, a corporate public relations manager with General Mills Inc., comforts her 10-month-old daughter Mia as she visits her at the childcare facilities in the company's headquarters in Golden Valley, Minn., last week. "Things like that are the new

about the same level, said Ellen Galinsky, president of the nonprofit Families and Work Institute in New York, which was not involved with the study.

Where companies in the booming late '90s offered more "bells-and-whistles" henefits. today companies are sticking more to fundamentals, Galinsky said - for example, new ways to offer flexible hours, such as part-year work.

frontier," Galinsky said. Another trend evident at many

of the magazine's choices is a growing understanding that working mothers are daughters, too. Companies increasingly are of-

fering such services as dependent-care centers for aging parents and elder health care and re-

As the baby boomer generation ages and the average lifespan increases, eldercare has become a new focus for IBM Corp., which has appeared in Working Mother's top 100 since the list's incep-

While the company has offered eldercare and referral services since 1988, the need for such services has tripled from 9 percent of IBM employees to 27 percent, according to Maria Ferris, manager of work/life and women's initiatives at IBM.

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New offerings at the world's biggest seller of computers and related services include care planning and monitoring, a phone check-in service, an elder facility review program and online discussion groups.

"We've found [having a dependent parent] can be very isolating," Ferris said.

"It's not a very happy topic. Around the watercooler, every-one wants to talk about babies. No one wants to talk about a sick

All but one of the 100 compa nies on the list provide eldercare referral services, compared with 21 percent of compa-nies nationwide. And 28 percent offer emergency or backup emergency eldercare, com-pared with 2 percent nationwide.

To remain competitive in at-tracting quality employees, companies also need to keep up with the times - an effort that can range from offering such trendy luxuries as massages and voga

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setbacks and natural disasters. J.P. Morgan Chase & Co., in response to the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq, created a patriotic leave program for employees called into active duty, said Christine Fossaceca, the company's global work/life solutions

Hundreds of companies compete for a place on the Working Mother list each year. New York-based Working Mother Media, which is privately held, would not give specifics on advertising support for the issue, but said the number of ads was nearly double the monthly aver-

Working Mother focused heavily on childcare options this year, as well as flexible scheduling and time off for new parents

New to the 2004 list were Virinia Commonwealth University Health System, UBS AG, Tri

Health and Timberland Co. Several names in last year's top 100 did not appear on the latest list, including Eastman Kodak Co., Liz Claiborne Inc. and Sallie Mae.

Family shares couple's debt

Q: My parents have both been told they have cancer. When their medical bills started mounting, they put all their adult children's names on their property deed in an effort to prevent credi tors from taking their home.

Unfortunately, now my husband and I are filing for Chapter 7 bankruptcy. We have no equity in our home, no savings and a retirement account that was drained to pay education costs for our four children.

What's more, my husband has taken a 27 percent pay cut at work and our expenses exceed our income by at least \$1,000 a month, which doesn't include the payments we're supposed to be making on our credit cards.

We've been turned down for credit counseling and don't see an alternative to bankruptcy, but our attorney has told us that the bankruptcy trustee can force the sale of my parents' property.

I am frantic. My great-grandfather owned that property, and it's where my father was born. My oldest daughter, an attorney, found two cases that seem to show that a trustee could opt not

to sell such an asset, but our attorney hasn't responded to my e-mails about these exceptions. This is truly a nightmare. Is

A: This is yet another reason parents should think twice, and then three or four times more. before adding children's names to a real estate deed. Such an action typically fails to protect the

there any way out?

property from the parents' creditors and can make it vulnerable to the creditors of the children You can't even get out of this situation by getting off the deed, said

Scott Boxitz

If you made this transfer within one year of filing, the trustee, or even one of your creditors, could ask the bankruptcy judge to block your ability to discharge your debts. In other words, you couldn't get them erased in U.S. Bankruptcy Court.

Los Angeles bankruptcy lawyer

Even if you waited longer after the transfer, Bovitz said, you could face problems. If the Bankruptcy Court decided that the transfer was meant to defraud your creditors, they could come after you for the value of the prop-

It's true that the trustee might decide that your partial interest isn't worth enough to bother selling it, as the cases your daughter found seem to show, but the trustee also could decide to seize and sell the whole property under certain circumstances.

ly will be based on the financial issues involved, not pity for your parents.

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Your attorney should be the one explaining all this to you and reviewing your options. If you can't get his or her attention, consider hiring someone else or seeking help from your local legal aid society.

It may well be that the best course is not to proceed with your bankrupt-

cy. This means you could continue to be harassed by creditors for debts you can't pay, but it could help protect your parents' property.

Besides, filing for bankruptcy won't solve your cash flow problem, because even without debt payments you're spending more than you earn.

You need to look hard at all your options, including selling your house and finding something cheaper, taking on a second job (or going back to work if vou're not employed); and perhaps even asking your children for financial help if they are able.

No, it's not the life you envisioned for yourself as you near retirement. But it's the life you have, and the sooner you take action, the better.

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ents and Sensibility Money tip of the day

Keeping luggage safe

CBS MarketWatch

NEW YORK - The Transportation Security Administration, which is responsible for protecting the country's transportation systems, is toughening up. This week it put into effect new procedures for airport security, in-creasing the frequency of pat-down searches and requiring that passengers remove coats, jackets and other outerwear for screenings.

With more hoops to jump through travelers may find it harder to keep track of their belongings, according to Susan Foster, author of the new book "Smart Packing for Today's Traveler."

To prevent the loss or theft of your carry-on items, Foster rec-ommends the following:

Pare down what you pack. Anything fragile, expensive, absolutely necessary or irreplaceable should go in your carry-on instead of in your checked luggage, but Foster advises that you avoid traveling with expensive

■ Limit the number of carry-on bags.

■ Check that you have the same number of bags every time you stop, whether at the ticket counter, at the security checkpoint or in line



Discover why so many people are saying...



Sunday Horoscope

Joyce Jillson

Mars hops on the solar trend with today's transit into Libra's lovely homeland. Mars will reside in Libra until Nov. 11. Libra is about partner. ship, and Mars will put real energy behind any team effort.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Septem-

ber 26). Visualizing a beautiful future will be key to obtaining it. Spend time nurturing your imagination this year through reading. travel and saying "yes" to new experiences. Ultimately, you'll have a lot of fun and find love and money on your way. Nothing goes as planned in December but it turns out brilliantly. Capricorn and Aries love is passionate

Your lucky numbers are: 20, 45, 1, 22 and 26

ARIES (March 21-April 19).

This harmonious, energetic and creative day features lively but lighthearted conversation. Your underrated talents come to the fore. Watch out tonight, though. Seeking instant gratification can sabotage long-term goals.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20).

People want to suck you into their dramas, but who needs the aggravation? Let weird comments roll off your back like water from a duck When you're the bighearted one others surprise you by rising to the standard vou've set.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Make contacts, and cement allianc-

Finishing what you've started is challenging, but your reward will be swift on completion. Someone new could declare romantic interest, but this love affair would come with a lot

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Artistic happenings bring you togeth

er with interesting new friends and future business partners. Special requests are made of you, but don't feel obligated. Organize your closet, and it will help you organize your

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Use creative vibes to pep up your domes tic environment. Friends might have a lackluster idea of fun - it rests on you to get the party started. Tonight is right for making a move on your

secret crush. A Scorpio is featured VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).

You'll learn much from reading and listening to charismatic speakers. But it's what you'll actually apply to your life on a daily basis that makes

a difference. Singles get swept up by big-



you plenty of energy. SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Go through

your address and phone book to re-establish contact with terrific people. Friends help you circulate your best work and ideas. The stars stir up passionate feelings tonight. Lucky arrangements include a Sagittarius

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). This day promises nary a dull

The unexpected keeps you on tippy toes, ready to leap, lunge and duck. You come out of the process wanting something different than you once wanted.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). There's so much going on in your world that it's impossible to

keep track without writing it down Preoccupation could strain your relationships, so when you're with family, really be there

AOUARIUS (Ian. 20-Feb. 18). People respond to your enthusiasm and want to be convinced of your point of view. Action and success go

Hesitation and failure do, too. Save time and energy by giving someone else more responsibility

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Your choices affect people far from you, but it's smart to consider what's best for you and your loved ones first. Return all favors. Being indebted to others comes with a higher cost than you think

'Busted': Really old slang

the word "busted." I see it used in TV, plays, radio, newspapers, and books: Someone is arrested by the police and the terminology used is "the person was busted" or "there was a drug bust." I would like to know the origin of this term.

The verb "bust," meaning "to ar-rest," and the noun "bust," mean-ing "a police raid," both originated in American slang over 50 years ago.

Their exact origins are not entirely clear, but we can make an educated guess about them by tracing the evolution of the older senses of "bust."

"Bust" has had many meanings One of its earliest attested senses (dating back to 1860) is "to break eral use soon developed such figurative senses as "to bring an end to; break up" ("trust-busting"), "to tame" ("bronco-busting") and "to demote." All of these senses retain some suggestion of breaking something apart or down.

The sense "to arrest" may well

have come directly from the "de-mote" sense, which was standard in military use around the turn of the 20th century. The shared meaning is one of bringing someone down a notch, especially as a form of punishment. The noun "bust" meaning "a police raid" is apparently derived from the verb.

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Showing of inappropriate picture is cause for alarm

Dear Abby: I was recently at a youth sporting event.

Later that evening, one of the coaches and several of the parents were sitting around th hotel pool talking. Some joking sexual comments were made. The coach told one of the other fathers

himself as a youth He pulled it out of his wallet, and it was passed around the group. It was a picture of a 7- to 10-year-old boy, completely naked, that had heen "altered" to exaggerate the size of the

that he had a picture of

boy's you-know-what. Not a single parent voiced any objection to this picture. The coach later handed the picture to me (after one of the other parents laughingly told him he should show it to me). When I expressed disgust ("I really don't appreciate you showing this picture ..."), the coach made me out to be the bad

Do you think this picture is appropriate for a coach of adolescent boys to carry in his wallet and show to others? It struck me as child porn.

- Amazed and Disgusted Dad in Michigan Dear Amazed and Disgusted The incident should be reported to the league authorities. For the

coach to have shown the picture was a juvenile display of bad taste and poor judgment. For that reason, I am not sure he is responsible enough to be super-vising young boys.

Dear Abby: I have Dear Abby known "Edgar" for four years. At first, he'd see me twice a week, but only for sex. He stood me up a lot and was secretive about his life. I grew tired of it and started seeing other men. When Edgar found out, we had a big fight

and broke up. A week later, Edgar was back, begging to start over.

He promised to change and even moved in with me for three months. Then he reverted back to his old ways. I was helping him to pay his bills because I earned more than he did. When I lost my job and could no longer help him, he pulled away from

I now have another well-paying job. Edgar is back once of twice a week, but on weekends he's gone again. He claims his 16-year-old son is visiting and his ey doesn't want me around. Vet he accuses me of cheating, which is not true. I let Edgar know where I am at all times. I just want to be happy and have a real

relationship. Please tell me what

— In Love and Alone Dear in Love and Alone: A man who had sincere feelings for you would not have disappeared the minute you were out of a job. It appears that Edgar will stay only if you pay.

There's a word for it, and the word isn't "love." If you want a real relationship, you will lose this loser. It shouldn't be difficult. Tell Edgar you've been laid off, and I guarantee he'll vanish.

Dear Abby: Can you please tell me what "cemetery eti-quette" is? — Pearl in Manteca Calif

Dear Pearl: It is behaving with respect for the people who are buried there, and being sensitive to the feelings of visitors who might be mourning. It includes: speaking quietly, dressing conservatively, and refraining from littering, stepping on the graves or blocking cars in the funeral procession on their way to the grave site (or cutting in front of them). It also means the car stereo isn't blasting so loudly it will distract other visitors or wake the dead.

Letters for this column — with your name and phone number — should name and phone number — should be addressed to Dear Abby, P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles CA 90069. Readers can write to Abby on the Internet at http://www.uexpress.com/dearabby Universal Press Syndicate

Grandma wants to know sex of baby before parents learn

Dear Annie: My husband and I are expecting our first child. I am starting my second trimester, and we have decided to wait until the baby is born to

learn if it's a boy or a girl.

My mother wrote to me the other day, asking if my doctor could e-mail her with the information about the baby's sex after we have our ultrasound. She says this

will help her relate to her grandchild and make it easier to shor before the birth. My husband and I

think this is an odd request. Why on earth would we allow someone else in our family to know the baby's gender before we find out ourselves? I politely told my mother that we will all find out together, the old-fash-

Am I wrong to feel annoved over Mom's request? - Still Waiting in Kansas

Dear Kansas: Try not to make too much out of this. Your mother is eager and curious, and she wants to pick out clothes. Since you have elected not to know the baby's sex in advance, however, your mother should respect your wish to be surprised and stop asking for more information than she is entitled to. Tell

her she'll just have to wait, like

everyone else.

Dear Annie: Eating dinner together as a family is a simple event, but it can make a world of difference for children and teens. The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA) at Columbia University has consistently found that the more often

children eat dinner with their families, the less likely Annie's Mailbox they are to smoke, drink or use illegal drugs.

Created in 2001 as a direct result of CASA's research, "Family Day - A Day to Eat Dinner With Your Children" is a national effort to pro mote parental engagement in children's lives as a simple, effective tool to help reduce substance abuse among children and teens and raise

healthier children. Family Day is celebrated on the fourth Monday each September. This year, it is Sept. 27

As difficult as it sometimes may be, making time for family dinners is worth the effort. Sincerely, - Joseph A. Califano, Chairman and President. The National Center

on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University Dear Joseph Califano: We are pleased, once again, to mention Family Day and encourage our readers to eat dinner together tomorrow night, Monday, Sept. 27. It doesn't have to be fancy.

Get the whole family involved in the planning and preparation. Sit er (no TV), and share your day. Serve a special dessert to make it memorable. For more suggestions, check out www.CASAFami lyDay.org. Bon appetit!

Dear Annie: My good friend and I have daughters who are the same age (9) and are in school together. The trouble is, my daugh-"Amy," doesn't like "Cora, and does not want to spend time with her. It is especially awkward when Amy's birthday comes around and she doesn't want to invite Cora to her party.

So far, I have b en forcing Amy to invite Cora but she is not happy about it.

- British Columbia Dear B.C.: You have an opportunity to teach compassion to Amy. Keep encouraging her to include Cora at her parties, although the two of them do not otherwise have to socialize. Explain to Amy that, as she gets older, she and Cora will naturally go their separate ways, but it is unkind and hurtful at this time to exclude the girl from major social events.

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RELIGION

Once welcomed, archbishop now sees good will evaporate

BY DENISE LAVOIE The Associated Press

BOSTON - Charged with cleaning up the mess of the clergy sex abuse scandal, Boston Archbishop Sean O'Malley took a low-key ap proach. He asked to be called "Archbishop Sean" and shunned many of the trappings that go with his rank, quickly winning over many parishioners.

A little over a year later, things have changed. Whether it's desome way that served or not, Boston some Boston-area Roman Cathall of these olics now are call-ing O'Malley wonderful ing O'Maney
"The Iceman" as
he pushes ahead houses of life and prayer almost a quarter of the parishes in could remain nation's fourth-largest open and alive archdiocese. O'Malley an-nounced the 82 and full. But

there is not. Sean O'Malley

pare parishioners for the need to downsize. The closings were necessary, he said, because of a long, steady decline in Mass attendance, a shortage of priests and deteriorating church buildings that would cost more than \$100 million to re-

church closures in

May, after months

of trying to pre-

He admitted the clergy sex abuse crisis had exacerbated the problems, but insisted the churchof more than 500 sex abuse law-

"I am profoundly aware of the "I am profoundly aware of the emotion the announcement of the closing of a parish evokes," O'Malley said at the time. "I wish there was some way that all of these wonderful houses of life and prayer could remain open and alive and full. But there is not.

Ever since the list of parishes was released. O'Malley has been bombard ed with criticism

Some say he picked churches with pastors who were considered rebellious, or those with active chapters of the lay re-form group Voice of the Faithful. Others accused him of picking churches in wealthy sub-urbs, where high real estate values would bring a good price for church

property. Parishioners Boston archbishop launched petition drives, letter-writing campaigns

and demonstrations to try and change O'Malley's mind. Last month, parishioners at St. Albert the Great in Weymouth refused to leave after the final Mass was celebrated at the 54-year-old parish. Since then, they've staged a sit-in, working in shifts to make

sure people are there at all times.

nation and at least three other churches are considering doing

The sit-ins have put O'Malley in the difficult position of either wait-ing out the parishioners or forcing a confrontation.

O'Malley declined to be inter-viewed but his spokesman, the Rev. Christopher Coyne, said the archdiocese does not intend to force ibly evict any of the parishioners and is hoping to settle the disputes through med

When O'Malley first arrived in Boston in the summer of 2003, he was praised for his down-to-earth style - in contrast to his predecessor, Cardinal Bernard Law, who

was criticized for being aloof.
A Capuchin Franciscan friar who wears the order's simple brown robe, O'Malley shunned the opulent mansion where Law lived and moved instead to an apart-ment behind the Cathedral of the

Holy Cross in Boston's South End. He quickly settled a huge load of sex abuse lawsuits, hoping to move the archdiocese beyond the worst episode in its history. He won near-unanimous praise from parishioners, priests and victims of clergy abuse.
But O'Malley's refusal to budge

on the church closings has infuriated those same people.
"I see someone who has difficul-

ty being responsive to the needs of the parishioners," said Mary Akoury, a parishioner at St. Albert's. "He's gone about this the same way his predecessor went about



Archbishop Sean O'Malley, brought to Boston to clean up the clergy sex abuse scandal, is pushing ahead with plans to close almost a quarter of the parishes in the archdiocese, against the wishes of many parishoners.

KELLY PATRICE PATE/Fort Campbell Courie

Steven Curtis Chapman performs for an enthusiastic crowd on Tuesday. The concert, held at Fort Campbell, Ky., home of the 101st Airborne Division, marked the release of Chapman's latest CD, "All Things New."

SCC embarks on 'All Things New' By BRIAN BOWERS

Stars and Stripes

With 13 CDs on the shelf, it might be hard to imagine what new ground Steven Curtis Chapman could cover in his 14th. However, "All Things New" lives up to

its name. Sure, several of the songs are tra-ditional SCC, but many offer a feeling of experimentation and

growth that makes this CD something

truly new.

The title track, "Only Getting Started" and "Please Only You" are excellent pop tunes and likely to receive a lot of airplay. However, the slower songs give the CD much of its beauty and depth.

It's a musically diverse disc that flows

m ballads to pop tunes to rock anthems and back with a surprising grace. It takes you on a journey that rolls up and down but always delivers an overriding sense of joy, awe and anticipation.

The disc was released last week, with

its debut linked to a concert Tuesday at Fort Campbell, Ky., home of the 101st Airborne Division. The division is gearing up

"It was rockin'," said Cathy Gramling of the Fort Campbell public affair office. "You had people dancing and people clapping their hands," Gramling said. "...
They really appreciated it."

In a press release, Chapman said, "I hope this day and concert encourages them and can in some small way express my sincere thanks for all they are doing and the sacrifices they are making in the

and the sacrines drey are making in the service of our country."

The new CD opens with "All Things New." After an acoustic intro that joyfully retells the creation story, the tempo builds as the lyrics describe God's continuing action in the world and anticipates Jesus' return to make everything new common theme on the Today's praise

down a bit with "Much of You." an acous-

tic praise ballad. But they pick up again with "Only Getting Started," a fun ac-count of being overwhelmed by God's gifts. The chorus says it all: "Hey kid, you ain't seen nothin' yet! I'm only getting started." It's an enthusiastic piece introduced by twangy guitarwork and propelled by scratches and electronic flourishes. It's certainly something new. The tempo slows again for the next two

tracks: "Last Day on Earth," which ponders mortality and serves as a call to live with abandon, and "What Now which describes how we are called to help the needy. The second song evokes imag es of Chapman's own experience with adopting two daughters from China when he sings, "I saw the face of Jesus in a little orphan girl."

"Please Only You" has traditional SCC written all over it. It's an enjoyable pop tune that says, "Let everything I say and everything I do, please, please only You."

Crank up the volume for the next track.

"Coming Attractions" soars to a new level as it anticipates Jesus' return and proclaims, "Until that day comes, let your kingdom come in me, let your will be done in me." It's a prayerful but very pow-erful rock song that washes over the listen-

er in waves and provokes thought. The next track, "Big Story," is a bouncy throwback to the '60s. It invites the listen er to "come and take your place in the story" being written in heaven.
With "Believe Me Now," the tempo

slides back a few notches. The haunting, awe-filled look at God's power and love also contains the rich haritone vocals of Mac Powell of Third Day.

Chapman then turns to the piano to round out the disc with intimate thoughts about the beauty of heaven in "Angels Wish," trusting God in "I Believe In You" and acting out your faith in "Treasure of

About a week ago, Chapman was nominated for an American Music Award as Favorite Contemporary Inspirational Artist" — a title that he won last year.
With "All Things New," those nominations are likely to keep rolling in. On the Web:

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Yanks master **Martinez** again

6-4 victory vs. Red Sox ace eerily similar to ALCS win

The Associated Press

BOSTON - The game was over more than a half-hour, time Pedro Martinez spent reflecting on his failure in what might have been his last appearance in the Yankee-Red Sox rivalry. It was then, in the calm of a clubhouse interview room, that he conceded defeat

"What can I say — just tip my hat and call the Yan-kees my daddy," Martinez said. "I can't find a way to beat them at this point."

With an eerie resemblance to last year's postseason debacle. Martinez took a lead into the eighth inning before tiring and the Yankees rallied past Boston 6-4 Friday night to open a 51/2-game advantage in the AL East.

Grady Little was the Red Sox manager last fall when he left Martinez in during the eighth inning of Game 7 in the AL championship series; the Yankees overcame a 5-2 deficit to tie it and earned a World Series berth when Aaron Boone homered in the

Little was let go after the season and replaced by Terry Francona. But Francona, much as his predecessor did, sent Martinez (16-8) back out for the eighth even though he needed 101 pitches to get through the first seven innings; the Boston fans let Francona hear about it on Friday, much as they did for his predecessor.

Hideki Matsui homered on pitch No. 103 to make it 4-4, and Bernie Williams followed with a ground-rule double Martinez struck out Jorge Posada, who hit the game-tying double off the Red Sox ace in the ALCS, but Ruben Sierra singled home the go-ahead run and - finally - chased Martinez.

"It had a lot of similarities to the playoff game last ear," Yankees starter Mike Mussina said. "History

tends to repeat itself - but usually not that quickly Manny Ramirez hit his AL-leading 42nd homer and Trot Nixon also connected for Boston, which had been hoping to close ground on the Yankees but



Red Sox pitcher Pedro Martinez reacts to giving up an RBI-single to N.Y. Yankees' Ruben Sierra in the eighth inning of New York's 6-4 win in Roston.

now needs to win the final two games of the series to have any realistic hope of winning the division If not, the Red Sox are comfortably in the lead for the AL wild-card spot, six games ahe ad of Anaheim and Texas. Only if Boston wins in the first round of the playoffs and the Yankees do the same would Martinez wind up facing his nemeses again, though

he seemed to dread the prospect.

"They're that good. They're that hot right now at least against me," said the three-time Cy Young winner, who is 10-10 against the Yankees in his career and 172-65 against the rest of baseball. "I wish they would disappear and not come back. I would like to face any other team right now."

Martinez, who can become a free agent after the season, tried to deflect the blame from his manager,

just as he did last October.
"It's just frustrating for me not to do the job," he said. "It was all me. I wanted to bury myself on that mound'

Francona stood by his decision, just as Little did. 'If I run out there after two pitches ... it would make it look like I wasn't making a very good decision before the inning," Francona said.

Tom Gordon (8-4) pitched two innings and allowed a solo homer to Johnny Damon that gave Boston a 4-3 lead. Mariano Rivera pitched the ninth for his 51st save; he has blown four saves all season, two against the Red Sox.

D.C. done talking, ready for decision

By JOSEPH WHITE The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - As far as Washington is concerned, the ne-gotiations with Major League Baseball are essentially done. Now it's a matter of waiting for a 33-year drought to end.

Months of talks - including an 11½-hour session last week and another round that lasted until midnight Wednesday — have produced a 30-page document that would conditionally award the Montreal Expos to the nation's

'I would say that it is virtually completed without any major deal points outstanding," Bill Hall, chairman of the D.C. Sports and Entertainment Commission's baseball committee, said Friday. So what's next?

"As far as I'm concerned." Hall said, "[it] is to hear from Major League Baseball that we have a deal

The wait shouldn't be long. The city needs a decision by the end of next week so that legislation can be introduced to pay for a \$13 million renovation of RFK Stadium that would build a new stadium south of the Capitol along the Anacostia River The team would play in RFK for three seasons before moving to the new ballpark.

If the process should start later. stadium financing would be in danger of not being passed before Dec. 31, when the terms expire for several City Council members whose votes are needed to pass the measure.

Washington has been without a major league team since 1971, when the expansion Senators moved to Texas, but the city has clearly taken the lead in the competition to land the Expos, who were bought by the other 29 major league teams before the

On Thursday, baseball's executive council met in Milwaukee to discuss relocation. While no formal recommendation was made, Commissioner Bud Selig told the council he would work to finish a deal as quickly as possible, with the nation's capital the apparent

Selig's decision, once it comes, must be approved by the owners.

La Russa fuming over Tavarez's suspension

DENVER - An appeal did little to help St. Louis reliever Julian Tayarez, who was suspended for eight days Friday for applying a foreign substance to balls while pitching last month.

Tavarez was ejected from a game Aug. 24 against Pittsburgh when umpires inspected his grimy hat. After the game, crew chief Joe West said Cardinals manager Tony La Russa "as much admitted" it was pine tar on Tavarez's cap.

Tavarez was originally handed a 10-day suspension. The penalty, which began with Friday's game at Colorado, was reduced by two

days after the appeal. Still. La Russa was livid, not only because Tavarez won't return until Oct. 2, with just two games remaining in the regular season, but because he doesn't think the penalty is appropriate for the transgression.

"Every year, there have been some hot competitions all over the league, and there have been some eruptions involving players umpires, all of which are so much worse for our game ... and those things routinely get penalized with two, three, five games. And this is an eight-gamer? For something they haven't even proven? What kind of message is baseball sending there? The message I get

is a bad one," La Russa said. The commissioner's office had no further comment, spokesman Pat Courtney said.

Appeals were also heard for Baltimore reliever Jorge Julio and Houston second baseman Jeff Kent and reliever Dan Wheeler. Julio started serving his four-game suspension for throw**Briefs**

ing a pitch that nearly hit Minnesota's Augie Oieda in the head. A \$1,000 fine was dropped.

Kent had his three-game suspension reduced to two. He was suspended for kicking and throwing dirt on home plate after being ejected by plate umpire Chris Guccione on July 25 at Milwaukee. Wheeler's three-game suspension for hitting Chicago first baseman Derrek Lee with a pitch on Aug 27 was unheld

Pirates retain McClendon

PITTSRURGH - The Pittsburgh Pirates retained manager Lloyd McClendon and made of fers Friday to retain all of his staff

McClendon signed a contract extension through the 2005 season in April, with a club option for 2006. If the coaches accept the team's offers, it will mark the second straight year that no changes will be made to the coaching staff. "My coaches have done a fine

iob." McClendon said. "I think it's just a formality. Pittsburgh is 277-361 in Mc-

Clendon's four years as manager.

Rockies release LHP Fassero DENVER - The Colorado

Rockies released left-hander Jeff Fassero on Friday after he and manager Clint Hurdle disagreed about his ability to start against St. Louis this weekend. 'It was over philosophical dif-

ferences," Hurdle said. "That's all I have to say about it. He had concerns. I had concerns

Fassero was scheduled to start Sunday

Twins' Santana celebrates 20th win

The Associated Press

CLEVELAND - The Minneso ta Twins sipped champagne for the second time this week, this time to honor their ace.

The Twins, who clinched the AL Central title Monday, toasted Johan Santana after he became the second 20-game winner in the major leagues with his 13th consecutive victory, an 8-2 win over the Cleveland Indians on Friday night. "This is something special,"

said Santana, who was presented with three baseballs by his team-mates. "I got one for No. 20, one for No. 258 and another for No.

The last two were for tying and then setting a Minnesota record for strikeouts in a season. Santana (20-6) struck out six to put his AL-leading total at 260. Bert Blyleven set the previous Twins mark with 258 in 1973.

Santana's 33-inning scoreless streak was snapped. He allowed a run — his first in September and two hits in six innings.

"A string like his does not happen very often," Minnesota manager Ron Gardenhire said. "Hey, he gave up a run tonight. That's a shocker

A Roundup

Santana is 13-0 with a 1-18 ERA in 14 starts since the All-Star break. He has won 12 starts in a row since allowing only one run in a no-decision July 22 against Tampa Bay

"This kid has just been unbe lievable," Gardenhire said. "I don't think you can have a better year than he has so we had a little toast to him '

The 25-year-old left-hander, who entered this season with a 23-12 career record, tied Boston's Curt Schilling for the major league lead in wins.

The Twins built a 6-0 lead by scoring five runs with two outs in the fourth off Kyle Denney Henry Blanco, Shannon Stewart and Jacque Jones hit consecutive RBI singles, and Lew Ford followed with a two-run double

Athletics 6, Angels 3: Rich Harden (11-6) earned his eighth win in nine decisions, Eric Byrnes hit a two-run homer off Kelvim Escobar (10-12) and visiting Oakland took a three-game lead in the AL West. The Angels remained tied for second with

Mariners 8. Rangers 7: Ichiro Suzuki had two more hits to move within eight of George Sisler's major league record, and Randy Winn's infield single in the ninth helped visiting Seattle end Texas five-game winning streak. Suzuki singled twice and has 249 hits this season Sisler had 257 for the St

Louis Browns in 1920.

Devil Rays 4, Blue Jays 2: Aubrey Huff hit his 29th homer and Mark Hendrickson (10-15) pitched seven solid innings for Tampa Bay at Tropicana Field.

Huff's homer in the first gave him eight straight at-bats with a hit — tying Suzuki and San Francisco's Deivi Cruz for the longest run in the majors this season Huff's bid for a ninth straight hit was foiled by left fielder Reed Johnson's diving catch in the fourth.

Orioles 7, Tigers 5: At Baltimore, Miguel Tejada hit a game-winning, three-run homer off Esteban Yan (3-6) in the ninth. Tejada went 4-for-5 with four RBIs. Javy Lopez homered and drove in three runs.

Royals 8, White Sox 6: At Chicago, John Buck homered twice to back winner Jimmy Gobble

Lucky 13 for Braves

Smoltz, who's been there for all of them, closes it out

The Associated Press

ATLANTA - The Atlanta Braves celebrated another divi-

sion title in style. The Braves clinched their 13th consecutive division title Friday night, winning the NL East with an 8-7 comeback victory over the

Florida Marlins. Afterward, no one was spared a spray of champagne or beer even general



manager John Schuerholz and manager Bobby Cox

"It never gets old," the beaming Schuerholz said.

Marcus Giles' two-run single off Marlins closer Armando Benitez, who took over for Guillermo Mota (9-7), capped Atlanta's three-run rally in the eighth.

The Braves' record streak of division championships began with the 1991 NL West title and excludes the 1994 strike-shortened season. Predicted by many to finish behind Philadelphia and Florida, the Braves were six games under .500 and 61/2 games out of first place on June 23, but are 58-26 since

"They shouldn't have picked against us," Chipper Jones said. John Smoltz, the only player on each of the 13 division championship teams, pitched the ninth for

his 41st save. Travis Smith (2-3) earned the victory with one inning of relief.

Dodgers 3, Giants 2: Shawn Green hit a two-run homer in visiting Los Angeles' victory a day before the first baseman will miss a game to observe the Jewish holi-

day Yom Kippur. "It couldn't have worked out better for me personally or for the team," Green said. "It's been a tough few days for me going

through all this in my mind, but I felt at neace today ' Barry Bonds hit his 702nd but San Francisco couldn't muster much else against Odalis Perez (7-6) as the Dodgers increased their lead in

the NL West to $2\frac{1}{2}$ games. Eric Gagne issued three straight two-out walks in the ninth before retiring Yorvit Torrealba on a bases-loaded flyout to preserve a tense victory

Astros 1, Brewers 0 (10): Roger Clemens was denied his 19th victory, taking a no-decision, but struck out a season-high 12 to reach 210 this season

Clemens allowed five hits in 71/3 innings and lowered his ERA from 3.00 to 2.89. He surpassed

200 strikeouts for the 12th time. In the top of the 10th, Brad Ausmus bunted for a single down the third-base line off Mike Adams (2-3), who fielded the ball and

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threw wildly to first. Orlando Palmeiro, hitting for Brad Lidge (6-5), blooped a single into short left field and pinch-runner Willy Taveras raced to third. Craig Biggio followed with a sacrifice fly.

Cubs 2. Mets 1 (10): Derrek Lee hit an RBI single in the 10th and Aramis Ramirez homered in the seventh as the visiting Cubs won their fourth straight to increase their lead in the NL wild-card race

Padres 6, Diamondbacks 5: Pinch-runner Khalil Greene scored the winning run on third baseman Chad Tracy's fielding error with one out in the ninth as the host Padres remained 41/2 games behind the Cubs in the wild-card race.

Cardinals 5. Rockies 4: Albert Puiols homered and Jeff Suppan (16-8) improved to 10-0 on road. Larry Walker went 0-for-4 in his first game in Denver since Colorado traded him to St. Louis on Aug. 6.

Expos 8, Phillies 1: At Montre al. Sun Woo-Kim came (4-5) within an out of his first career complete game and also hit a two-run double. He lost his shutout bid on Jason Michaels' RBI double in the ninth.

Reds 14, Pirates 8: Austin Kearns had a career-high four hits, including a homer, and five RBIs at Pittsburgh.



John Smoltz, who got the final three outs, celebrates with Marcus Giles, who drove in the tying and winning runs, after Atlanta clinched its 13th straight NL division title with an 8-7 win Friday night over Florida.

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Barrichello wins China pole after Schumacher spins out

The Associated Press

SHANGHAI, China — Rubens Barrichello claimed the pole position for the inaugural Chinese Grand Prix on Saturday after Ferrari teammate and Formula One champion Michael Schumacher spun out seconds into his qualifying lap.

Barrichello picked up his second straight pole, and the 12th of his career. He turned a fast lap of 1 minute, 34.012 seconds on the new 3.388-mile Shanghai International Circuit.

Schumacher spun on the first turn after leading the practice an hour earlier in 1:33.185. He will



driver.

In 1998, Schumacher had the pole for the final race of the season, the Japanese Grand Prix, but stalled on the grid and was sent to the back of the pack.

In 1995, as a Benetton driver, he was 16th on the grid, but went on to win the Belgian Grand Prix.

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Midway through the first turn,
Schumacher lost control of his
Ferrari and spun off the track

into the wide gravel area. He got back onto the track and completed the lap, but did not record a time.

Carpentier wins pole for Las Vegas Champ Car race

LAS VEGAS — Patrick Carpentier, coming off his first victory of the Champ Car season, won his first pole of the year Friday with a 206.186 mph run in the series' first outing at Las Vegas Motor Speedway.

The point he received for the pole moved him into a tie for fourth in the driver standings with Paul Tracy, who qualified



Jeremy Mayfield runs a lap during qualifying for the MBNA America 400 at Dover International Speedway in Dover, Del., on Friday. Mayfield won the pole, putting behind him a wreck last week that seriously damaged his hopes of winning the Nextel Cup championship.

Management agency says Armstrong provided sponsor clean drug samples

The Associated Dece

DALLAS — Lance Armstrong's management agency said it provided clean drug test results more than a month ago to a company withholding a S5 million bonus owed Armstrong for winning a record sixth straight Tour de France

"Lance has made it unambiguously clear that he does not use, nor has he ever used, performance-enhancing drugs," said a statement issued Friday night by Capital Sports and Entertainment, the Austin, Texas-based strong's US. Postal Cycling Team. "The baseless and mean-spirited doping allegations against Lance are not supported by any facts."

In refusing to release the money, SCA Promotions Inc. Dallas has cited allegations in a French book that Armstrong used performance-enhancing drugs and said the company needs to investigate the claims by reviewing Armstrong's medical records.

Chris Compton, an attorney for SCA, told The Associated Press on Thursday, "We've requested [drug] test results to disprove the allegations — clean test results that should be easily attainable."

But Friday's statement refuted what the management agency labeled "SCA's disingenuous and self-serving quote."

"SCA is not interested in valid and authenticated 'testing results,' "the statement said, claiming it provided that documentation to SCA in mid-August.

Rather, SCA has demanded "every medical record and medical provider of Mr. Armstrong, his complete medical history; all records of all Armstrong's past bonus awards; and all contraction involving Armstrong and a number of individuals and entities, the statement said.

A telephone message seeking a response from SCA was not immediately returned Friday night.

Bush signs bill tightening rules for sports agents

WASHINGTON - President

Sports briefs Bush signed a law Friday establishing tougher penalties for unethical sports

agents.

The bill stiffens penalties for agents who lure student-athletes into contracts that compromise their amateur standing and dam-

their amateur standing and damage the reputations of their schools.

The legislation, which passed by voice vote in the Senate earlier this month, was promoted by Rep. Tom Osborne, R-Neb., a

Rep. Tom Osborne, R-Neb., a former Nebraska football coach. Osborne said he has seen sports agents illegally use cash and gifts to recruit student-athletes. The law bars agents from recruiting student-athletes by giv-

cruiting student-athletes by giving false or misleading information or providing anything of value to the athlete or his family before entering into a contract. The agent also must disclose in

The agent also must uscused writing that the athlete may lose NCAA eligibility after signing agency contract. And the law requires the athlete and the agent to notify the school's athletic director that the athlete has signed a contract so the school does not allow a now-ineligible athlete to play.

Violators would face civil actions by the Federal Trade Commission and state attorneys general. Fines of up to \$11,000 a day could be levied for each offense.

Gold medal dispute prompts FIG to propose changes

International gymnastics officials are considering rule changes they hope will prevent another debacle like the one at the Athens Olympics that, a month later, still has Paul Hamm defending his all-around gold medal.

The International Gymnastics Federation, known as FIG, announced Friday it will recommend that judges who make mixtakes be punished immediately, with sanctions lasting up to foryears. And USA Gymnastics is proposing the use of video replay in the review of start values.

The proposals from the FIG's

executive commission and USA Gymnastics will be considered at the FIG congress next month in

The FIG came under fire in Athens after it discovered a scoring error that may have cost Yang Tae-young of South Korea the men's all-around title.

Roddick powers U.S. to lead in Davis Cup semifinals

CHARLESTON, S.C. — Andy Roddick hit a record 155 mps serve in his 6-1, 6-4, 6-4 victory over Vladimir Voltchkov on Friday to help the United States to a 2-0 lead over Belarus in the Davis Cup semifinals. Olympic silver medalist Mardy

Fish served 19 aces to defeat Max Mirnyi in the second singles match 7-5, 6-2, 3-6, 6-3. The American team of Bob and

Mike Bryan was scheduled to play Mirnyi and Alexander Skrypko on Saturday in the best-of-five competition between the two na-

Serena Williams, Kuznetsova reach China Open final

BELJING — Serena Williams overcame problems with her serve to defeat Russia's Vera Zvonareva 6-2, 6-3 Saturday, advancing to the China Open final against U.S. Open champion Svetlana Kuznetsova.

Kuznetsova beat Wimbledon champion and Russian countrywoman Maria Sharapova 6-2, 6-2 in the other semifinal.

Liberty, Monarchs win WNBA playoff openers

DETROIT — Elena Baranova scored 17 points Friday night to lead the New York Liberty to a 75-62 victory over defending champion Detroit in Game 1 of their first-round WNBA playoff

The loss means the Shock will have to win Sunday and Tuesday in New York to avoid being eliminated in the best-of-three series.

In Sacramento, Calif., Tangela Smith scored 21 points as the Sacramento Monarchs took a 1-0 series lead over the top-seeded Los Angeles Sparks.

Polesitter Mayfield in need of victories

BY DICK BRINSTER
The Associated Press

DOVER, Del. — Jeremy Mayfield needs more than a victory at Dover International Speedway to get back in the thick of the Nextel Cup championship race.

With his title hopes seriously damaged a week ago, Mayfield will try to use Sunday's MBNA America 400 to get back in the chase. He crashed last Sunday in New Hampshire after Robby Gordon intentionally spun Greg Biffle.

A 35th-place finish left Mayfield 142 points behind leaders Kurt Busch and Dale Earnhardt Jr. after the first of 10 races among the championship contenders. Lost were valuable points and great momentum achieved a week earlier when Mayfield qualified for title contention with a victory in Richmond. Va.

"I think we're going to have to do that every week from here on out to try to rebound from that thing," Mayfield said Friday after winning the pole for Sunday's race. "When the going gets tough we feel like we perform our best." Mayfield won't curse his bad

"We kind of like being the underdog," he said. "We're going to fight it out to the end." On Sunday, he won't qualify as

On Sunday, he won't quainty as anything but the favorite after taking the pole at The Monster Mile with a lap at 159.405 mph. That gave him a qualifying sweep this year on the high-banked concrete oval.

"Anytime you have a race track

you run pretty good at you're confident," he said. "Now we've just got to go out and win the race and get back the points that were taken away from us last week." Busch, who won the Svlvania

300, qualified 13th Friday. Earnhardt wound up 16th on the 43-car grid.

"I was happy with the first lap, but on the second we got pretty loose," Earnhardt said. "Sometimes it's like running across railroad tracks."

Ryan Newman, like Mayfield inlucky in New Hampshire,

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the race, was second-fastest. His Dodge got around the track at 159.018.

A surprising third in qualifying was rookie Brian Vickers. He did it in a backup car after crashing in practice. His Chevrolet went 158.346.

Broncos buck BYU's upset bid

Missed last-second FG extends Boise State's win streak to 15

BY DOUG ALDEN The Associated Press

BOISE, Idaho - What started as another Boise State blowout came down to the final seconds. The No. 21 Broncos led 16-0 in the first quarter.

but needed a missed 38-vard field goal with 23 seconds remaining to hold off Brigham Young 28-27 on

"I'll be real honest with you - I'm not kidding. I never for a moment thought we would lose that game," Boise State coach Dan Hawkins said.

The Broncos extended the nation's longest winning streak to 15 games, but had to rally to do it. The Broncos (4-0) and Cougars (1-3) traded lucky breaks and big plays all night, but Boise State got the one that mattered most when Matt Payne

missed for the first time this season. "Matt's a great player. He makes that 99 out of a hundred times," said BYU's Todd Watkins, who had nine catches for 211 yards and a touchdown.

Payne, who had field goals of 32 and 42 yards as the Cougars fought back from the early deficit, was just wide of the left upright and the Broncos ran out

the clock Boise State averaged 55 points in its first three wins, but got its biggest test so far from the Cougars, who lost to the Broncos last year in Provo 50-12

"That's how you build championships. They aren't built when you win 52-0," Broncos offensive lineman Daryn Colledge said. "We can come back We know we can come back. We're a strong team.

Jared Zabransky's 44-yard scoring pass to T.J. Acree with 3:42 remaining turned out to be the game winner. BYU had taken the lead on a pair of touchdown passes from John Beck, who threw a 79-yard scoring strike to Watkins and a 57-yarder to Austin Collie late in the third quarter.

"I think we showed what kind of caliber team we are. We showed a lot," Watkins said. RVII is 1-3 for the first time since 2000. LaVell Ed.

wards' final season as coach. The Cougars haven't beaten a ranked opponent since Gary Crowton took over for Edwards in 2001.



BYU's Brandon Heaney (34) vanks the facemask of Boise State receiver Drisan James (11) to break up a pass on Friday night. No penalty was called.

Beck led BYU with 390 passing yards, completing 20 of 35 attempts with two touchdowns. But again,

he had no help from the running game as BYU finished with just 25 yards rushing. Zabransky passed for 302 yards and two touchdowns, both to Acree, and the pair appeared to have

the Broncos ahead to stay after the late score. BYU got the ball back at its own 23, and got a huge break on a disputed pass interference call. Beck continued to lead the drive into field goal range, only to

No. 21 Boise State 28. Brigham Young 27

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BSU—Acree 20 pass from Zabransky (Jones kick), 9:17
BSU—Carter 5 run (Jones kick), 4:09
BYU—Brown 2 run (Payne kick), 228

BSU—FG Jones 37, 4:36 BYU—Watkins 79 pass from Beck (Payne kick), 3:41. BYU—Collie 57 pass from Beck (Payne kick), :38 Fourth Quarter BSU—Acree 44 pass from Zabransky (pass failed), 3:42

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Classic: Close games the norm in rivalry

CLASSIC. FROM BACK PAGE

"I feel the same way - he's a very, very worthy opponent," Parcells said Gibbs has tried this week to de-

flect attention from the coaches to the players. If history is any indication, he has a point. Neither Gibbs nor Parcells had

anything to do with the defining moment of their 1980s matchups the Monday night game on Nov. 18, 1985, when Joe Theismann's leg was broken on a sack by Lawrence Taylor.

Gibbs spent the next few seasons shuffling quarterbacks. while Phil Simms kept plugging along for the Giants. Gibbs won just one non-strike game against Parcells after Theismann's injury prevailing during the Redskins 1987 run to the Super Bowl title.

"Tremendous rivalry," Par cells said. "It was just such a good division at the time. Both teams were very talented with Hall of

Fame players.' Gibbs rarely socialized with opposing coaches, and Parcells was no exception. Although the coaches' philosophies and meticulous work patterns are similar. Gibbs soft-spoken humbleness doesn't mesh at all with Parcells' entertaining prickliness. The pair's one lengthy interaction came when they played a round of golf a few vears ago, when both were out of

"When we saw each other when we weren't coaching, we were very friendly," Parcells said. "It's just like having a lot of respect for the enemy. Now he's not my enemy, he's a friend, but he happens to be my enemy on (Monday), and I'm sure he feels the same way '

the NEL

While all the attention is on the coaches, there are some potential-



left, has lost the past six games against Rill Parcells

ly major subplots that could determine the winner Monday night.

The Redskins are expected to start Patrick Ramsey at quarterback because Mark Brunell is hurt and three-time Pro Rowl linebacker LaVar Arrington is out with a knee injury. The Cowboys have lost rookie running back Julius Jones to a shoulder injury, so 40-year-old Vinny Testaverde should have a busy night.

The Cowboys have won 12 of the past 13 meetings, a source of frustration for Redskins owner Dan Snyder. But Gibbs-Parcells is overshadowing the usual comparisons between hands-on owners Snyder and Jerry Jones.

Both teams have playoff aspirations but also show signs of major problems. Or, as Parcells told his team this week: "There's a heck of a difference between a good team and what we are right now.

In other words, it might be a stretch to expect another Gibbs-Parcells classic. These coaches need more time with their teams before they can mold them into perennial contenders, as they did all those years ago.

This is a different time. It's a different place. It's a different cast of characters. It's not the same. It'll never be the same, Parcells said. "It's a new generation. It's a new stadium. It's a new everything. You can't try and make it the same."

Singh keeps lead in Pennsylvania

FARMINGTON, Pa. - Chris DiMarco shot Friday's best round in the 84 Lumber Classic, a 7-under 65, and put some pressure on leader Vijay Singh. Singh shot 4-under 68 and

leads 2003 British Open champion Ben Curtis by two shots, with DiMarco another stroke back. Singh, who can set a PGA Tour

season money record by winning the \$756,000 first prize, made his only bogey in two days but opened with two straight birdies and added three more. "I'm quite happy," said Singh,

who recently overtook Tiger



Woods for the world No. 1 ranking. "I've got the weekend to go and there are a few more chances out there

Kent Jones, Joev Sindelar and J.P. Haves are tied at 7-under.

Inkster leads Longs Drugs

AUBURN, Calif. - Hall of Famer Juli Inkster, looking to win a tournament for the eighth consecutive year, shot 5-under 66 and took a one-stroke lead over ChristiLPGA Longs Drugs Challenge. Inkster, a two-time winner of

the 9-vear-old tournament was at 10-under 132. Kim began her second-round 69 with 13 straight pars, bogeyed

14 and then birdied three of the final four holes. Five players, including Hall of Famer Karrie Webb, were at 134

Stenson up one in Euro Tour

WOBURN, England - Henrik Stenson shot 5-under 67 Saturday for a one-stroke lead over Swed ish countryman Patrik Sjoland after three rounds of The Heri-

tage, a European Tour event.

Hurricane postpones Steelers-Dolphins game The Associated Press phins discussed the matter with Florida on Friday, a day early, be-

MIAMI - Hurricane Jeanne forced the postponement of Sunday's game between the Pittsburgh Steelers and Miami Dolphins. The game has not been re-

The decision to postpone the game was made after the Dol-

the NFL, Dolphins president Eddie Jones said Saturday. "The Commissioner's office

has asked the two teams to consider the larger public safety issues to determine when the game can best be played," Jones said in a

The Steelers arrived in south

cause of the hurricane. Hurricane Jeanne is the latest

in a string of weather problems that have plagued the Dolphins this season.

Miami's opening game against Tennessee was moved up one day and played on a Saturday because

Survey says Indians do not object to nickname Redskins

WASHINGTON - A poll of American Indians found that an overwhelming majority of them are not bothered by the nick-name of the Washington Red-

Only 9 percent of those polled said the name of the NFL team is "offensive," while 90 percent said it's acceptable, according to the University of Pennsylvania's National Annenberg Election Survey, released Friday Annenberg polled 768 Indians

in every state except Hawaii and Alaska from Oct. 7, 2003, to Sept. 20, 2004.

The survey found little disparity between men and women or young and old. However, 13 percent of Indians with college degrees said the name is offensive, compared with 9 percent of those with some college and 6 percent of those with a high school education or less. Among self-identified liberals, 14 per-

cent found the term disparage

ing, compared with 6 percent of

The franchise began in Boston as the Braves but was purchased in 1932 by George Preston Marshall, who changed the name to honor head coach William "Lone Star" Dietz, an American Indian. The team kept its monicker after moving to the nation's capital in 1937.

The name and feather-wear ing mascot have since been challenged.

A nanel of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office canceled the team's trademarks in 1999 on the grounds that the name disparages American Indians in violation of federal trademark law. But last year, a federal judge ruled the team can keep its name, finding insufficient evidence to conclude it is an insult to American Indians.

Some Indian leaders are still pressing their case, noting that many schools with similar mascots referencing Indians have made name changes recently

Favre, Manning set for quarterback battle

By MICHAEL MAROT The Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS Favre looks at Peyton Manning and sees the resemblance. Both play with passion, toughness and a relentless desire to win.

Favre probably couldn't envision a better heir to his throne as the NFL's best quarterback when he's ready to abdicate the crown

"It's kind of out with the old and in with the new. That's just the way it is," Favre said

Sunday's game between Green Bay (1-1) and Indianapolis (1-1) might appear a symbolic stage for Favre to hand the reins to Manning, last year's co-MVP. Don't bet on it.

Favre, among the NFL's elder statesmen of quarterbacks at age 34, still has plays to make, championships to win and plenty to achieve.

He needs one completion to ioin Dan Marino and John Elway as the only members of the 4,000 club. Should Favre throw a touchdown pass Sunday, he also would break a fourth-place tie for consecutive games with a TD pass (28) by moving past Chris Chandler, and yes, Manning



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And then there is the one stat that startles Manning: Favre's streak of consecutive starts Favre is about to make his 192nd consecutive regular-season start. Manning his 99th.

If playoff games are counted, it would mark the first time in league history two NFL quarter-backs with 100 straight starts

"It is absolutely amazing," Manning said of Favre's streak, "I hope to break it some day. I really do. But he's got to help me out first. I'm not making up any ground.

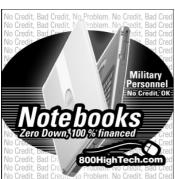
Manning certainly is showing some signs of improvement at

A year ago, he produced his best season as a pro, completing 67 percent of his passes, throwing 29 touchdowns and just 10 inter ceptions for a final rating of 99.0. Like Favre, he led his team deep into the playoffs, and has returned this year amid higher expectations after signing a franchise-record \$98 million contract

So far, Manning's lived up to the hype. In two games, he has four touchdown passes, one interception and a rating of 104.9. But choosing which is best

seems to depend on one's loyal-"They're like 1A and 1B or 1A

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Green Bay Packers quarterback Brett Favre needs one completion to join Dan Marino and John Elway in the 4,000 club.

and 1A," Packers safety Darren Sharper said. "I'm not going to say he's better than Brett, but he's right up there with him.

Favre does have his chinks and one of the biggest has been playing in dome stadiums

Despite a résumé that includes three MVP awards and a Super Bowl ring, Favre has been vulnerable indoors, where he is just

The last time Favre came to Indianapolis, in 1997, the 0-10 Colts upset the Super Bowl-bound Pack-

One man who has seen Favre at his best and worst is Colts coach Tony Dungy, who helped construct defenses in Minnesota and Tampa Bay that gave Favre fits.

"I used to joke with him all time when we played at Lambeau," Dungy said. "I'd walk over to him during pregame warmups and say 'Why don't you take that pill you take in the dome and throw us the ball a couple of times?

Favre may have some advantage

Colts running back Edgerrin James, who strained his left hamstring on a 30-yard touchdown run at Tennessee last week, is exnected to start Sunday but could see limited action. Indianapolis' secondary also

has been battered by injuries. Starting safety Mike Doss like-

won't play because of a pulled right hamstring, and cornerback Donald Strickland probably will play despite a sore right shoulder. Any more injuries could force some unenviable matchups between Favre and rookie defensive backs.

Favre also has a supporting cast tailor made to expose the Colts' biggest hole, run defense. Indianapolis is allowing 5.0 yards per carry and the Packers almost certainly will try to exploit that weakness with Ahman Green, the NFC's top rusher.

"They are fantastic players and they are both tough to stop, Dungy said.

So is Manning. But is the younger gun with a similar Southern background and aw-shucks demeanor ready to supplant Fayre as the NFL's top quarterback

Dungy doesn't believe that's going to happen Sunday.

"Five years ago, there was no doubt who the best quarterback in the NFL was," Dungy said. "Brett probably won't tell you this, but he's probably ready to pass that mantle in the next couple of years."

Surprising Lions aiming to go 3-0

By DAVE GOLDRERG The Associated Press Philadelphia opened with two

impressive home wins, establishing its credentials as the contender its fans thought it would be. Now the Eagles go to Detmit to play the Lions, who are 2-0 after

going 10-38 the NFL picks

past three seasons. Included: an onening-day win in Chicago that ended an

NFL-record 24-game road losing streak

The Lions are getting help from very strong draft class, led by wide receiver Roy Williams, running back Kevin Jones and linebacker Teddy Lehman. That has partially offset injuries to two of last year's top-grade rookies: Charles Rogers and Boss Bailey.

The youngsters are smart, too

"We've won just two games, that's all," Williams said. "Come back in the 14th game of the season, when we have a winning record, and I'll show more excite-

The Eagles, the only NFL team to win both its games by double-digit margins, are favored by four. Both big-money additions, Jevon Kearse and Terrell Owens. have made major contributions: Owens as the top receiver they've lacked, and Kearse as a constant pass-rushing threat even though he has yet to register a sack. Still, the Eagles are not invinci-

ble. Williams could exploit their young cornerbacks, and the Lions are unlikely to make as many mis takes at home as the Vikings made Monday night. Minnesota moved the ball well, and so did the Giants in the opener, but it's hard to win in Philly. After the past three seasons,

8-8 or 9-7 would be a successful vear in Detroit. It would be a disaster in Phila

delphia. ... EAGLES, 24-17 Green Bay (plus 6) at Indianap

olis: Brett Favre vs. Peyton Manning for just the second time:



Washington Redskins coach Joe Gibbs, above, has lost 11 of his past 14 games against Dallas Cowboys coach Bill Parcells.



Detroit running back Kevin Jones (34) and the Lions are 2-0 heading into their game vs. the Eagles.

They met in Green Bay four ears ago and Favre won 26-24. ... **MANNING, 26-24**

Dallas (plus 2) at Washington (Monday night): Bill Parcells is 11-6 against Joe Gibbs, winning 11 of the last 14 meetings. ... COW BOYS, 11-6.

Tampa Bay (plus 3) at Oakland: Oakland East has yet to score a TD on offense. Warren Sapp's revenge. ... RAIDERS.

Pittsburgh (plus 1) at Miami: A rookie QB for Pittsburgh, a dismal offense for Miami Unless there are defensive TDs ... DOL-PHINS, 5-3.

Jacksonville (plus 6) at Tennes see: The Jaguars have managed to win twice despite scoring just 20 points. ... TITANS, 17-6.

San Francisco (plus 11) at Seattle: Seattle was 8-0 at home last year, but the 49ers play defense well enough to keep it close. ... SE-AHAWKS, 20-13.

Baltimore (minus 3) at Cincinnati: Carson Palmer played cautiously last week but still led a game-winning drive. Reprise. ... BENGALS, 16-13.

Chicago (plus 91/2) at Minnesota: Tough to win back-to-back in Green Bay and Minneapolis, espe-cially with three top DBs gone. ... VIKINGS, 27-10. Houston (plus 81/2) at Kansas

City: Neither team is what it was supposed to be, but the Chiefs were supposed to be better than the Texans CHIEFS, 26-13 Cleveland (plus 3) at New York Giants: Kellen Winslow's injury

spoiled a Hurricanes' reunion with Jeremy Shockey. ... GIANTS, 23.15 San Diego (plus 10) at Denver:

From 1-0 to 1-15? The Chargers aren't that bad, but ... BRONCOS, 34-20

Arizona (plus 10) at Atlanta: Dennis Green made the playoffs eight of his 10 seasons in Minnesota. That doesn't happen in Arizona. ... FALCONS, 33-11.

New Orleans (plus 7) at St. Louis: Early season travails again for the Saints. ... RAMS. 32-14. LAST WEEK: 11-5 (spread),

13-3 (straight up) SEASON: 20-12 (spread), 25-7

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Denver Broncos safety John Lynch is unable to stop Jacksonville Jaguars wide receiver Ernest Wilford (19) from scoring the game's only touchdown in the second quarter on Sept. 19. The Jaguars won 7-6.

laguars not afraid of Titans

BY TERESA M. WALKER The Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. - When it comes to the Jacksonville-Tennes see rivalry. Byron Leftwich isn't a history buff.

"I've only been here a year the Jaguars quarterback said with a laugh

He's not alone. The surprising 2-0 Jaguars have added 36 play ers since the 2002 season ended.

Only four Jaguars remain from 1999, when they lost three games to the Titans, including the AFC championship game. The Titans have won nine of the last 11 in this series, including all five games played at The Coliseum

Leftwich says all that matters is the present, and veteran Jaguars running back Fred Taylor agrees. "Forget about all the stuff that's

happened in the past. This is a new year. You can throw all that stuff out. It's brand new teams. and the best team will win on Sunday." Taylor said. One thing remains unchanged

in this rivalry: Whoever wins Sunday takes a big step in the divi-. The Jaguars are now atop the AFC South, their first division lead since the end of the 1999 sea-The Titans (1-1), upset with themselves after a 31-17 loss to In-

dianapolis, try to avoid a losing skid this early

"I don't think it's Jacksonville of old," Titans left tackle Brad



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Hopkins said. "It's definitely different circumstances and I think it's almost a must-win for us because we've got to get back on track ' The Jaguars won their first two

games with late plays, including a 7-6 victory over Denver last 7-6 victory over week Titans coach Jeff Fisher refuses to call Jacksonville's record

a product of luck "There are a lot of teams that have scored a lot of points that are 0-2." Fisher said. "2-0 is 2-0.

They win the game because they make a play they need to at the end."

Jacksonville has won with a defense that has allowed 16 points total, and the Jaguars have scored just 20 points. The Jags are holding teams to an AFC-lo 2.8 yards per rush and haven't allowed a touchdown rushing

They have embraced the phys ical part, and we anticipate developing as a football team and growing and getting a little better week to week," Jaguars coach Jack Del Rio said. "That is the challenge for us."

The Titans certainly will test Steve McNair may have Tv-

rone Calico (sprained knees) available for the first time this season, along with Jake Schifino to boost the receiving corps. Derrick Mason and Drew Bennett also have something to prove after dropping would-be TD passes against the Colts.

Chris Brown will try to become the second NFL running back to rush for 100 yards in each of his first three starts against a defense that has an NFL-best streak of 17 straight games without allowing a -yard rusher. Stump Mitchell did it for the St. Louis Cardinals

in the 1980s. 'Everyone thinks it's a fluke," Jaguars linebacker Mike Peter-son said of the streak. "Every week, the teams have a top run ning back, and they don't shy away from the run against us. I'm sure Chris Brown is saving to his coach, 'Coach, run me, run me. Don't shy away from the run.' "

Five of the last seven games in this series have been decided by single digits, including a 10-3 Titans victory Nov. 16. Del Rio thinks his offense will improve if the Jaguars can upgrade little things running and converting third downs.

Only the 1942 Chicago Cardinals ever started 2-0 while scoring only 20 points.

Chargers, Broncos still trying to find strengths

BY EDDIE PELLS The Associated Press

DENVER - The team with the mastermind on offense couldn't get into the end zone last week with the defen-The team sive-minded coach gave up 34 points

Two weeks into the season, it's safe to say the Denver Broncos and San Diego Chargers are still trying to figure out exactly who they are and what they do best. The teams meet Sunday, both with 1-1 records and both coming off losses.

The Broncos lost 7-6 to the Jaguars. The Chargers lost 34-28 to

"I think what you do as a head coach is you forget about offense and defense and you bring in players you feel will complement where you are in your program, Chargers coach Marty Schottenheimer said

Maybe that explains why Schottenheimer, who has always focused on defense, used first-round pick to take quarterback Phillip Rivers, even though his team already has Drew Brees and Doug Flutie.

And maybe that explains why Mike Shanahan, the offensive genius, traded away his star running back, Clinton Portis, to get cornerback Champ Bailey.

For Denver, the defensive moves are paving off. Even though the Broncos lost last week, they gave up only 176 yards.

But now, offense is the issue. Jake Plummer struggled throughout the preseason, and though the Broncos got off to a strong start in the opener against Kansas City, last week's six-point performance against Jacksonville has brought up new questions.

Question No. 1: Is Quentin Griffin a fumbler? He lost one against the Chiefs and one against the Jaguars that cost Denver the game. Although Shanahan and Griffin each insist there's no big problem. Griffin was visibly upset and felt like he let his team down.

"He's going to face this, and I think it's key for him how he gets over this," Plummer said. "It's how he gets over the whole thing and lets it go. I have full faith that he is going to come out here and practice hard and have a great game on Sunday.





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Chargers at

10 p.m Sunday AFN-Pacific

Question No. 2: Can Plummer be the guy to lead the team to a championship? When he's good, he's good. But he couldn't lead the Broncos to a touchdown despite holding the ball for 37 minutes last week. And that left-handed interception against the Chiefs had to send chills down Shanahan's spine.

Denver will find more answers this week against a 3-4 scheme designed by defensive coordinator Wade Phillips — he coached the Broncos in 1993-94 — who was hmught in to improve a defense that ranked 27th last season.

Because it's seen less than traditional defenses, the 3-4 is supposed to cause problems. Through two games, though, the Chargers have allowed 48 points and 716 vards.

Schottenheimer has long been involved with the 3-4 and says it's easier to find personnel to run it. "My sense is that the versatility

it brings is probably the No. 1 criteria for it," he said. "I think secondly, you've got an opportunity when you're only looking for three down linemen, that you maybe can find enough to put that complement together.

In other words, the Chargers would rather attack with linebackers Donnie Edwards and Randall Godfrey than leave it to a relatively unaccomplished group of line-

Thus far, it has been the offense that has been surprisingly effective for the Chargers.

Brees has an 88.8 passer rating. and is expected to start Sunday despite leaving last week's game with a concussion. And LaDanian Tomlinson has run for 208 yards and two scores.

One thing Tomlinson has never had is a good game on the road against the Broncos. He has vet to crack 80 yards or score a touchdown in three games at Denver.

Loophole allowed NFL player with 2 DUIs to keep driving BY MATT SEDENSKY weeks after Warfield pleaded no contest to But the speed at which prosecutors hand

The Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - An NFL player's repeated drunken driving arrests have helped expose a loophole in a national registry that allows some offenders to remain behind the wheel even after a state susnends their licenses

The apparent flaw came to light after the Sept. 20 DUI arrest of Kansas City Chiefs cornerback Eric Warfield, his third. Warfield's Kansas license had already been suspended, but a valid license issued in Ne-braska last summer kept him on the road.

The Nebraska license was issued two

his second DUI — but five days before the conviction and a 1-year driving suspension were posted to the National Driver Regis-"Why would it take so long?" questioned

Cheryl Jones, a national board member of Mothers Against Drunk Driving. "States should be able to talk to each other or have a cross reference some way to go in and check to see if there's a license suspended in any state."

All 50 states and the District of Columbia use the registry to identify whether license applicants have outstanding suspensions or convictions for serious traffic offenses

over information to motor vehicle departments, and the efficiency of those offices in processing such violations, creates a window for a convicted drunken driver to seek a license in another state

For people like Warfield, who owns a home in Nebraska, the lapse allows use of a legitimate address to legally obtain a li-

Warfield's first arrest was Dec. 18, 2001. in Lenexa, Kan, On March 13, 2003, he was arrested in Overland Park. Kan., on another DUI, and pleaded no contest June 19,

But notice of the plea didn't reach the

Kansas Department of Motor Vehicles until July 1, according to Marcy Ralston. manager of the state Driver Control Bureau. He got his Nebraska license with a

clean record July 2, 2003.

"He did not do anything illegal," said
Betty Johnson, the head of records at the Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicles.

The case illustrates the lack of guide, lines for states' reporting to the driver registry, said Tim Hurd, a spokesman for the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, "Fifty different states, 50 different ways of doing things," Hurd said.

Warfield faces up to a year in jail if con-victed of his third offense. He also could be subject to a suspension from the NFL.

Chiefs' woeful defense looking for turnaround

Kansas City, Houston face off in battle of winless teams

BY DOUG TUCKED
The Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Fantasy league players not making Houston's Domanick Davis this week's primary pick have not been paying attention.

With only 130 yards rushing, Davis would be the third running back in three weeks to drill Kansas City's "Career Day Defense" for his most productive game as an NFL back.

And the way the winless Chiefs have been missing tackles and blowing assignments, 130 seems little to ask.

First it was Denver's Quentin Griffin going 156 yards in a 38-24 victory. Last week, DeShaun Foster, subbing for an injured starter, no less, breezed 174 yards to lead Carolina's 28-17 win.

Each total was the player's career high, creating increasing pressure and deepening embarrassment for a defense that added virtually no new players — only a new coordinator — after finishing 29th overall last year.

"We're trying so hard to get this first win, to get this monkey off our back," said safety Jerome Woods, who went to the Pro Bowl last year in his eighth season. "We're just going to have to go out and play better than we did the last couple of weeks. Once we figure out how to stop the big plays, I think we'll be all right."

While preparing for the only game this week between 0-2 teams, the Chiefs have

44 We're trying so hard to get this first win, to get this monkey off our back. 17

> Jerome Woods Kansas City Chiefs safety

taken careful note of Davis' propensity to cough up the ball.

The Texans have outgained each opponent in their defeats. But they've been scuttled by an unappealing minus-6 turnover differential, thanks largely to Davis' four lost fumbles.

"We want to keep him in that profile, try to get the ball on the ground, make it into a basketball game and try to force (quarterback David) Carr into some interceptions, get some turnovers," said defensive end Drie Usides.

Not lost on Davis and the Texans are Kansas City's problems on defense, particularly the way running backs have been rewriting their career stats.

"From the little bit of film we watched, we can do some things if we protect the ball and do what we have to do," Davis

But he also knows the Chiefs are certain to bear down on his own nasty habit.

Courtesy of USO-Europe and Gast Im Schloss

"Everyone's trying to strip it now," he

said. "I'm like the main target, so I know they're going to come after me and try to strip it, so I have to try to protect it."

Despite their turnover troubles, Houston coach Dom Capers said the Texans did not spend undue practice time learning to hold on to the football.

"We spent the normal time that we do," he said. "We try to emphasize with our guys on defense that we want them to strip the ball every time we hand the ball off or our receivers have the ball downfield—that we want them punching at the football to make our offensive players conscious of locking that thing away and protecting it."

The Chiefs' biggest problem for three years has been a tendency to get gouged for big gains, such as the team-record 71-yard sprint Foster broke on Sunday.

"You see their defense play well at

times, they've just been struck by the big play," said Capers. The Texans have the NFL's longest losing streak at six, going back to last season.

ing streak at six, going back to last season. But the Chiefs are 2-4 in their past six games.

The Chiefs, 13-3 last year and AFC West

champions, have been sputtering on offense as well as defense. Quarterback Trent Green has thrown only one touchdown pass and, against Carolina, the offense managed only one TD.

Additionally, there was concern injuries could sideline All-Pro running back Priest Holmes and wide receiver Eddie Kennison, or at least keep them from going full speed.

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Houston Texans running back Domanick Davis (37) has lost four fumbles and fig-

ures the winless Kansas City Chiefs' defense will target him on Sunday.

"I am hopeful they will be able to play," coach Dick Vermeil said.

"What scares me is (the Texans) are a better football team than 0-2. I just told the football team, the reason they're 0-2 is more easily defined than the reason we're 0-2 and their problems are more easily correctable than ours are."



SHAPE blanks Bitburg on Corcoran's 2 TDs

Stars and Stripes

BITBURG, Germany - Senior Sean Corcoran threw two touchdown passes as defending Division II champ SHAPE blanked Bithurg 24-0.

After a scoreless first period, Corcoran connected on a 15-yard scoring pass to Zach Rabiego and a 31-yarder to Marvin Coombs to give the Spartans a 14-0 halftime edge.

SHAPE padded the lead on a 5-yard TD run by Kociak Reed and a 35-yard field

goal by Coombs. Corcoran finished 8-for-14 for 135 yards Steve Small led the SHAPE ground

Div. II football

attempts. That was more enough for the SHAPE defense, which pushed the Spartans to 2-0 overall and 1-0 in

II-North, Linebacker Richard Rendon had 16 tackles and Reed had 13.

Bitburg, which got 11 tackles from Simon Shaw, fell to 1-1 overall and in

In other Division II games on Saturday:

ISB 14. London Central 0: Philip Lipman ran for two first-half touchdowns to lead the International School of Brussels over visiting London Central, Lipman, who rushed for 81 yards on 14 carries, also had 12 tackles

Andrew Vanderlind and Adam Shpiro had interceptions and Drew Thigpen recov-ered a fumble for ISB (2-0). London Central (0-2), in its first season

in D-II, got 83 yards on 14 rushes by Ray Berges and 61 yards on 10 carries by Foxy

in Naples, Italy,

Naples 33, Vilseck 8: Senior Mark Pearyer returned a punt 72 yards for a touchdown with 1:39 left in the third quarter to kick-start the Wildcats on a game-ending run of 26 unanswered points

Pearyer's return allowed Naples (2-0, 1-0 II-South) to pull away from a hard-hitting Vilseck team, which had just taken a 7-6 lead on Kevin Menonna's 3-vard TD

Naples got fourth-quarter touchdowns on a 2-yard run by Austin Webb and interception returns of 39 and 48 yards for touchdowns by Mike Monaco.

Monaco's second score came after an attempted tight end screen pass deflected into his arms off the head of an official. Webb, who carried 28 times for 119 yards, also caught a 7-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Tyler Torrenz.

Vilseck fell to 1-1.

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Team scoring — Würzburg 64, Patch 27.

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1, Frances Smythe (Würzburg) 27; 2, Sarareenberg (Würzburg) 29; 3, Caroline Cogins (Patch) 10; 4, Sabrina Pernol (Patch) 10;

Rebecca Smythe (Würzburg) 9; 6,

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Kaiserslautern at Lakenheath
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Brandon Payne def, Atruyu Oldread 9-7; Sam
Yerkes def, Earon Brown 8-5; Brad Irwin def,
Braden Smith 9-8 (7-2); Logan Snow and
Matt Trias def, Brown and Smith 8-0.

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RAYMOND T CONWAY/Stars and Strings

Bitburg's Nichole Griep, left, and Ashley Kazimer go up to block a spike attempt by Heidelberg's Julia Roberson during DODDS high school volleyball action at Frankfurt International School on Saturday. Heidelberg beat Bitburg 25-21, 26-24, 22-25 and 25-19.

Spurgeon def. Jose Leon 8-0; Eric Radvanyi def. Siddiq Toure 8-5; McGee and Barre-nechea def. Shaffer and James Johnson 6-6-0; Spurgeon and Lohmer def. Jacob Johnson and Leon 8-0. Würzburg at Ramstein Ramstein boys 9, Würzburg 0

M.J. Massicotte def. David Wolfe 6-1, 6-4; Matt Omdal and Matt Luthman def. Wolfe and Exel Mori-Ramos 6-0, 6-0. Other results

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Ramstein girls 6, Würzburg 3 Jenna Massicotte (Ramstein) def. Hall But-ler 6-3, 6-3; Maggie Curry and Megan Jones (Ramstein) def. Lindsey Shellhammer and Ariel Cohn 5-7, 7-5, 6-0. Other results unavail-able.

Patch boys 7, Hanau 2
Devin Hayes (Hanau) def. Joe Morrow 6-0, 6-1; David Vega (Patch) def. Zack Hilliker 8-87; Sean Tyson (Patch) def. Shaun Gelpi 9-8 (7); Johannes Grow (Hanau) def. Aaron Conn 8-4; Vega and Morrow (Patch) def. Hayes and Hilliker 6-3, 3-6, 6-4; Zack Meringer and Tyson (Patch) def. Gelpi and Grow 8-2.

Patch girls 7, Hanau 2
Tamara Opplinger (Patch), def. Christina
Buxbaum 2-6, 6-0, 6-2; Chrystal Lomahan
(Hanau) def. Katle Rember 8-2; Kristen Stohl
(Patch) def. Michelle Schneider 6-6, AdriLauren Duke (Patch) def. Maill Ivaldi 8-1;
Kim Vroegindewey (Patch) def. Hijle Dahilog
8-1; Stohl and Anderson (Patch) def.
Schneider and Arndt 8-4; Ivaldi and Dahilog
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1. Ashleigh Sponer (Wiesbaden) 2253; 4, Natialis Records (Menwith Hill) 2215; 5, Allyson of London Central) 2251; 8, Allyson of London (Lakenheith) 2246; 7, Lillian Pecora(London Central) 2251; 8, Stephanie Allendard (Kalenheith) 2246; 7, Lillian Pecora(Lakenheith) 2246; 7, Lillian Pecora(Lakenheith) 2348; 10, Amine Hillian Records (Wiesbaden) 2338.

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Stephen Burnett (Raiserslautern), 17216; 3,
man (Raiserslautern), 1818; 5, Neal Stainman (Raiserslautern), 1818; 5, Neal Stainman (Raiserslautern), 1818; 5, Neal Stainmove (London Central) 18236; Centry Valked
baden), 1912; 6, Greg Beet (Mernvith Hill)
1922; 10, Jesse Beet (Mernvith Hill), 1927;
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Naples def. Vicenza 27-25, 25-10, 25-16
Vicenza def. Milan 27-25, 25-20, 25-18, 11-25, 15-13

11-25, 15-13 **Girls**Aviano def. Marymount 25-3, 25-8, 25-5
Lakenheath def. Wiesbaden 25-15, 25-7, 25-10

Lakenheath def. Kalserslautern 25-10, 25-16, 25-12, 25-23, 25-23, 26-25, 27-21, 15-8 g. Wiesbaden 15-25, 25-23, 20-25, 25-21, 15-8 g. Wiesbaden 15-25, 25-23, 20-25, 25-21, 15-8 g. Wiesbaden 15-25, 25-23, 22-25, 15-26, 26-26, 2

Cephas makes key block for Aviano

BY KENT HARRIS Stare and Strings

AVIANO AIR BASE, Italy - Returning two fumble recoveries for touchdowns wasn't enough for Carl Cephas to give his team a win Saturday.

So he blocked a punt as Aviano defeated Vicenza 20-13.

Cephas scored from 60 yards and 20 yards in the first half then turned Vicenza's first possession in the fourth quarter into the winning points.

With the game tied 13-13, the Cougars (1-1) were forced to punt from their own 25-yard line. Cephas came hard from the left side and got the block.

"I really didn't think I was going to get it, but then I saw he was starting to come my way. said the junior from Tampa, Fla.

Aviano (1-1) took possession and gave the ball to running back Jacques Watson. After a 3-yard gain. Watson burst through the middle - shedding several tackles and scored from 19 vards out to break the tie.

Anthony Young added the kick. Vicenza still had plenty of time, but two drives stalled with the help of penalties. A desperation pass from quarterback Robert O'-Doherty was intercepted in the final seconds by Anthony Will-

The Saints had their share of penalties as well and both teams had trouble sustaining drives in the second half

Aviano did have the advantage on time of possession, though. "We didn't have any big plays,



Aviano running back Jacques Watson is surrounded by Vicenza players during the Saints' 20-13 victory over the Cougars on Saturday. It was the second game of the season for both schools, and each is now 1-1.

Results not received

The following football games were ot reported to Stars and Stripes by presstime on Saturday: Heidelberg at Kaiserslautern; Brus-sels at Sigonella. Results of the Patch-Hanau game were incomplete. but we kept the ball," coach Ken

McNeely said. "We had some penalties that hurt us, or we would have had another [score] The Saints were fortunate to fin-

ish the first half tied.

Vicenza struck first, with O'-Doherty finding a wide-open Daryl Gonzalez for a 66-yard touchdown. The Cougars, who won their first game of the season last week after a winless season a

David Malone

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year ago, couldn't convert the extra point. But Vicenza was back in the

end zone again as the second quarter opened

Starting at their own 17, the Cougars moved the ball down to the 9 after two long pass plays. O'-Doherty then tossed the ball into the end zone and the lanky Gonzalez outjumped everyone else and came down with his second touchdown. Patrick Bailey's kick was

Aviano, struggling to move the ball on offense, got on the scoreboard when Cephas picked up a O'Doherty fumble and ran up the right sideline. The kick after failed. But Cephas was back in

the end zone a few minutes later Eric Lain couldn't control O'-Doherty's pitch and Cephas grabbed the football. He hit the ground, but was untouched. So he

got up and ran into the end zone. "Two big plays and we had a tie game," said Vicenza coach Marvin Sessions. "We had the momentum. They weren't doing much of-

fensively. It just happened.' O'Doherty was 12-for-20 for 218 yards. Gonzalez caught seven of those passes for 147 yards. He also intercepted a pass on defense. Vicenza had only 21 yards

on 25 carries. Watson had 113 vards on 24 carries for Aviano. E-mail Kent Harris at

harrisk@mail.estripes.osd.mil

Lakenheath shuts out Ramstein

Stars and Strine

RAF LAKENHEATH, England Jason Hacker sacked Ram-stein quarterback Eric Murray in the end zone, and Travis How-land intercepted a deflected pass and returned it four yards for a touchdown Saturday as Lakenheath shut out defending Division I champ Ramstein 8-0 in the conference open-er for both teams.

The big second-half defensive plays al-lowed Laken-

football

heath to improve to 1-1. Hacker's sack came one play after Ram-stein had held Lakenheath on downs at the 1-yard line.

Ramstein (1-1) was undone by 14 penalties and the decisive interception.

Murray completed seven of 14 passes for 107 yards and gained 46 yards on 12 carries.

Brennan Relaford had four receptions for 77 yards.
Lakenheath's Jesse Smith
rushed 14 times for 91 yards
In Saturday's other Division I

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Wiesbaden 40. Würzburg 0: At Würzburg, Germany, five dir-ferent Warriors scored touch-downs as Wiesbaden won at Würzburg for the second straight

week.
Paul Frv. who rushed for more than 200 yards in Wiesbaden's 39-12 nonconference victory last week, carried 18 times Saturday for 93 yards and a touchdown.

Fellow fullback Dan Villareal carried five times for 41 yards

Shannon McCray, who carried eight times for 33 yards, rushed for one TD and returned the second half kickoff 70 yards for a

Jordan Ruger also rushed for a touchdown, and quarterback Steven Jewell threw a 38-vard scoring pass to Lones Siebert.

Ansbach stretches streak to 18 with mercy-rule victory Peel's 42-vard punt return TD

ANSBACH, Germany - The Ansbach Cougars stepped up a notch and won their 18th straight game with a 49-8 mercy-rule victory over Division II Mannheim on Saturday. Running back James Esters

scored on runs of 13, 35 and 23 yards, while tight end Russell Bailey scored twice on passes from Brandon Bachtel for Ansbach The Cougars rushed the ball 30

times for 395 yards and completed five of seven passes for 90 yards in the game, which lasted only three quarters.

Sixty of Ansbach's yards came on a swing pass to Bailey for the Cougars' fourth TD.

Esters carried eight times for 121 yards and Dameon Outley added 104 yards on seven rushes John Willis also threw a TD pass for Ansbach, a toss to Tyler



Mannheim, which got 106 rushing yards on 11 carries from freshman Jamal Womble, got on the board in the second period on Womble's 50-yard run around left end. Edward Williams' two-point pass to Matt Hall made it 35-7 at

Other Division III games Satur-

Hohenfels 25, Giessen 0: At Giessen, Germany, Brandon Merriweather ran for a pair of touchdowns, and Sung Kyun Bryon and Taylor Arnett led a stifling defense as the Tigers blanked the Griffins in a nonconference

Merriweather's runs of 50 and 18 yards came during the fourth quarter as the Tigers (2-0 overall) finished their tuneup for Friday night's Division III-C showdown at home against unbeaten Ansbach.

Stephen Washington and Carlos Jones also scored for Hohen-

Bryon was credited with nine solo tackles and two assists Giessen fell to 0-2 overall

AFNORTH 24, Rota 14: At Brunssum, Netherlands, Bryent Blankenshin completed a pair of touchdown passes, and Kyle Winn and Jared Waters each rushed for more than 100 yards as the Lions won their first game in more than two years.

Blankenship threw TD passes of 34 vards to Sasha Miller and 13 vards to Winn in a game which was tied 7-7 at halftime.

Winn had 176 yards on 21 car ries, while Waters rushed 19 times for 103 yards and a touch-down. AFNORTH's last win was a season-opening 42-14 victory over Vilseck on Sept. 7, 2002. The Rota (1-1 overall) got 145 rush-

ing yards and a touchdown from Joseph Casey. Baumholder 45. Bamberg 25: At Baumholder, Germany, fresh-

man quarterback Chris Bray ran for two touchdowns and passed for two Saturday as Baumholder downed Bamberg

Bray, who plunged in for a pair of TDs in the early going, found Ron James with second-half scoring passes of 47 and 11 yards Bray was 7-for-15 for 179-yards on the day.

James, who caught five passes for 143 yards, also set up a third TD with an interception return of 26 yards to the Bamberg two-vard line.

The Bucs improved to 1-1 overall and 1-0 in III-D.

Bamberg (0-2, 0-1) had an early 12-0 lead on Christian

and a 30-yard pass from Marvin Gholston to Peel Tim Battle carried 10 times for

109 yards for Bamberg.

Menwith Hill 50, Alconbury 8: At RAF Alconbury, England, jun-ior Mike Bailey ran for 160 yards and scored five touchdowns, and freshman QB Matt Bailey added a TD pass and a TD run as the Mustangs rolled over the Dragons in a III-A game.

Mike Bailey scored on a 60-yard punt return, a 20-yard interception return, a six-yard pass from his younger brother. He also had runs of 35 and three vards. Le'Shawn Adams added a run-

ning TD, and Ryan Gimmy booted a 28-yard field goal for Menwith Hill (2-0 overall and 1-0 in III-A).

Alconbury got its points on Vincent Evalo's 15-yard interception return.

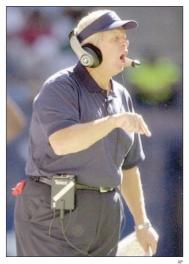
The Dragons are 0-2.

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Classic flashback





Cowboys coach Bill Parcells is second among active coaches with 160 victories. Dallas is 12-1 in its past 13 games against Washington.

plotting for their

first meeting in

14 years, when the Washington

this game has all

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boys-Redskins

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Gibbs

Washington Redskins coach Joe Gibbs ranks fifth among active coaches with 141 victories. He is 12-12 lifetime against the Cowboys.

between Gibbs'

Redskins and Parcells' Giants

from 1983-90?

"Anybody

football knows

how I feel about

this guy," Par-cells said. "I

think he's out-

standing. I like

him personally.

I think he's one

of the great coaches that

ever coached

who's been in

Parcells, Gibbs meet for first time in 14 years

By JOSEPH WHITE The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - When Joe Gibbs announced his return to the Washington Redskins, Bill Parcells sent a congratulatory fax. "It said something like 'Does this mean we can't talk for the next five years?" Gibbs said.

Gibbs didn't bother to send a reply. It was his way of giving the obvious answer.

"Yeah," Gibbs said, recalling his thoughts upon seeing the message, "We'll wind up hating each other again.'

Yes, the old adversaries are back at it, a pair of 63-year-old workaholics who just couldn't leave well enough alone despite five Super Bowl titles between them. They have spent this week

■ Dallas at Washington on AFN-Atlantic, Tuesday 3 a.m.

Time is Central European

Close encounters Bill Parcells is 11-6 in head-to-head matchups against Joe Gibbs. Here are the results of each meeting, with home team in parenthesis:

Redskins (1-1) host the Dallas 1990 - Giants 24, Redskins 20 (W) Giants 21, Redskins 10 (NY) Cowbovs (1-1) Monday 1989 – Giants 27, Redskins 10 (NY) Giants 20, Redskins 17 (NY) 1988 – Giants 27, Redskins 20 (NY) night. "If you're a fan, what you want to see is a

1988 - Giants 27, Redskins 20 (NY) Giants 24, Redskins 23 (W) 1987 - Redskins 38, Giants 12 (NY) # Redskins 23, Giants 19 (W) 1986 - Giants 27, Redskins 20 (NY) Giants 24, Redskins 20 (W) Giants 17, Redskins 0 (NY)* 1985 - Giants 17, Redskins 3 (NY)* Redskins 23, Giants 21 (W) big game, where a lot's on the line, and there's a lot of history behind it," Gibbs said. Giants 37, Redskins 13 (NY) "And certainly

1983 – Redskins 33, Giants 17 (NY) Redskins 31, Giants 22 (W) - Played with replacement play ers during strike.

* - NFC championship game

got this one pegged. Cow- the game."

Parcells, who ended his second makes for a big game, but how NFL retirement a year ago, is sec-

can anyone not ond among active coaches with be excited about 160 victories, Gibbs, who spent 11 seasons away in NASCAR until a new chanter in a coaching rithe Redskins lured him back in valry that pro-January, is fifth with 141. duced classic chess matches

when they head-to-head two decades ago, Parcells usually prevailed, winning 11 of 17 games, including the last six.

No wonder, when asked whether he was looking forward to facing his old foe, Gibbs quickly answered: "No."

"You don't want to go up against somebody that you consider is real good," Gibbs said. "I'd say he's definitely done the best iob when I coach a team and he coaches a team, so hopefully we can find a way to overcome that."

Parcells responded by saying most games were close, and that he isn't exactly rubbing his hands with glee over facing Gibbs.

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